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2764	1-16-58	NY letter to NY	1	1	
2765	1-16-58	NR letter to NY	2	0	
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2773	1-23-58	SX Airtel to HQ	1	0	
2774	1-23-58	NY letter to Ad	1	1	
2775	1-27-58	SF letter to HQ	1	-	see NY 65-15348
2776	1-27-58	NY letter to HQ	17	-	see NY 100-109849
2777	1-27-58	WFO letter to NY	6	4	
2778	1-27-58	SA to SAC memo	5	5	
2779	1-27-58	SX letter to HQ	4	-	REFERRED TO ANOTHER AGENCY
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2783	1-28-58	Copy of MI LHM	1	1	1 DUPE
2783	1-28-58	Copy of MI LHM	1	1	1 DUPE
2784	1-28-58	MI letter to HQ	4	4	
2784	1-28-58	Copy of MI letter to HQ	4	4	4 DUPE
2784	1-28-58	Copy of MI letter to HQ	4	4	4 DUPE
2785	1-29-58	NY SA to SAC memo	2	0	
2786	1-30-58	WFO letter to SA	4	4	
2787	1-31-58	NY SA to SAC memo	1	-	see NY 100-109849
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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-133479) (7-3) DATE 1/8/58

FROM : SA EDWARD M. ANCIN

SUBJECT: YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE
IS-SOCIALIST

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Description of Info 12/6/57, YSF-Judgement
of the ROSENBERGS, Adelphi
Hall
Date Received 12/11/57
Received by SA EDWARD M. ANCIN (written)
Original Located [REDACTED] B7D

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting
the following information in order to protect the identity
of the informant.

A copy of informant's report follows:

December 8, 1957

TIME: 8:30 P.M. December 6, 1957

PLACE: Adelphi Hall, 74 Fifth Avenue, New York City,
N.Y.

EVENT: The Young Socialist Forum sponsored by the
Young Socialist Alliance

SUBJECT: The Judgement of Julius and Ethel
Rosenberg by John Wexley

SPEAKER: Gil Turner

ATTENDANCE: Approx. 35

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Gil Turner quoted from Wexley's book and gave a complete sequence of events of the Rosenberg case. He satirized the testimony of Harry Gold whom he characterized as "pathological liar". He told of the impossibility of the train ride claimed to have been taken by Harry Gold due to existing time schedules and the speed at which Gold seemed to have traveled. Turner also accused the government of prompting and coaching witnesses. He called the Government's efforts to publish their story an "unprecedented thing" and called it a whitewash to ease some guilty consciences. He read from Wexley's book the last walk of Julius Rosenberg, to the execution chamber, and left the audience with the word that when America is Socialist the names of Julius and Ethel

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will be revered. The topic was given over to the audience for discussion.

Bob Burke of the YSL said that politics were involved and that the C.P. did not even raise a fund to help the Rosenbergs. He named some people and accused them of being Stalinists

Paul Greenberg, in an emotion packed speech, attacked Bob Burke for his indiscriminate use of the word Stalinist and said that this was vulgar and unwarranted.

Irwin Edelman told of his participation in the case, and accused the Rosenberg defense of treachery. He told of his discovery of errors in the defense. He said he has written a book on the subject which mainly centered about the diagram of the atom bomb, which with the consent of the defense, was kept secret. Mr. Edelman said there was no reason for this being the secret was already known to the Russians.

Paul Greenberg jumped to the defense of the Rosenberg's lawyer, Emanuel Block, and made some snide remarks about Mr. Edelman. He said it was true the defense made errors, but were honest human errors.

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TO SAC, LOS ANGELES

1/8/58

FROM SAC, WFO (100-25474)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka
IS - C; ISA of 1950
(OO: NY)

On 1/8/58 SA PAUL E. MORRISON recovered from a trash cover maintained on the residence of SYLVIA BERNSTEIN, 9340 Harvey Road, Silver Spring, Md., an envelope postmarked Los Angeles, Calif., addressed to BERNSTEIN and bearing return address 468 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles 4, California.

This envelope contained a mimeographed letter dated 1/2/58, containing letterhead "Los Angeles Sobell Committee, 468 N. Western Avenue, Los Angeles 4, Calif." and bearing the mimeographed signature of "WIDGE NEWMAN."

This letter is as follows:

"We are pleased to announce that

"new policy and program results of our National and Regional Conferences will be presented in a special report to you at an enlarged Work Meeting on FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, - 8:00 P.M.*

"As one of our closest friends, your presence is vital for discussion and decision.

"Please make every effort to attend so that we may feel the full strength of your interest in this important period of the campaign for Sobell's freedom."

The above described letter being supplied to LA as an enclosure.

It is noted that on 2/26/53 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] identified SYLVIA BERNSTEIN as a current or member. [REDACTED] has furnished reliable information in the past. P*.

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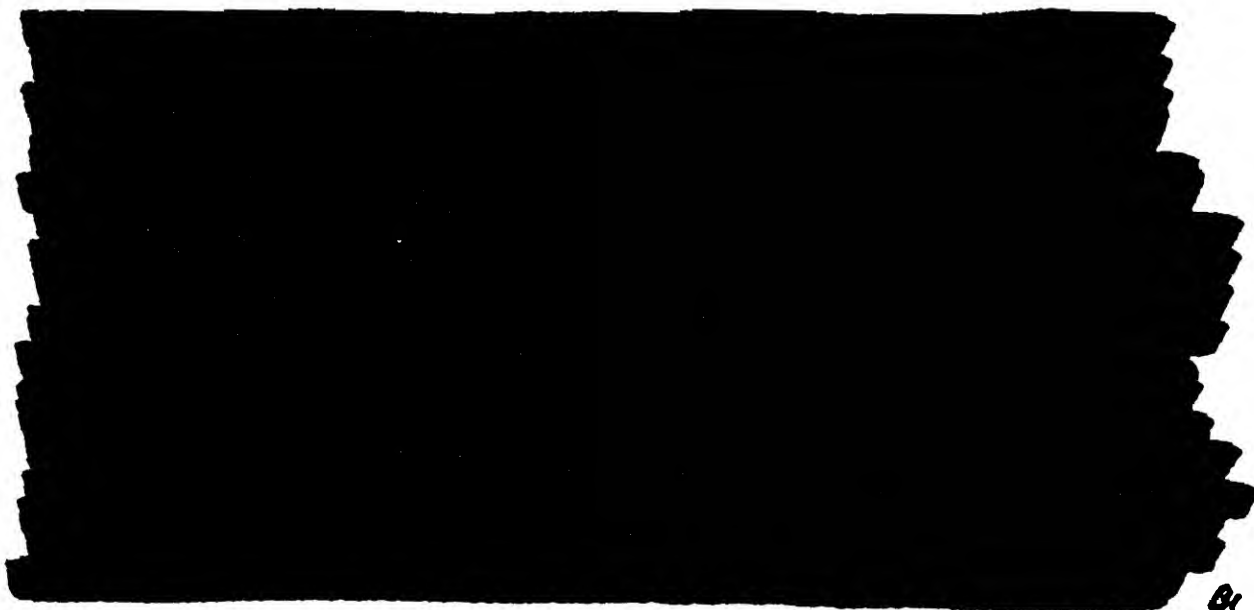
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TITLE OF CASE NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL IN THE ROSENBERG CASE; LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL, aka. Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, Los Angeles Rosenberg-Sobell Committee, Los Angeles Sobell Committee		REPORT MADE BY WILLIAM J. PANTAJA	TYPED BY LFL
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DETAILS:

For purposes of brevity, the Los Angeles Sobell Committee will hereinafter be referred to as the LASC.

I. HEADQUARTERS OF THE LASC

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As of December 9, 1957, the headquarters of the LASC continued to be 468 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

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II. ORIGIN

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The Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, which was formerly known as the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case and was sometimes referred to as the Los Angeles Rosenberg-Sobell Committee, adopted its present name, Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, also known as the Los Angeles Sobell Committee, about August, 1954. The avowed purpose of this committee is to have MORTON SOBELL transferred from Alcatraz Prison, to secure him a new trial and to eventually secure his complete release.

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Both the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case and the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell were, from their inception, dominated and controlled by the Los Angeles County Communist Party (LACCP) through the assignment of Communist Party (CP) members to work on the committees and to direct the activities of the committees. In March, 1955 critical discussion by CP members was that the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell should be reactivated and revitalized in a more aggressive way than it was in the past, and that its activities should be expanded in terms of securing maximum mobilization of forces to secure SOBELL's transfer from Alcatraz Prison and a new trial for him.

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III. [REDACTED]

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IV. OFFICERS

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IRMA (WIDGE) NEWMAN was a member of the American Youth for Democracy (AYD) from June, 1943, to 1945, while attending New York University, New York City.

The AYD has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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RE ANNE KELLER, nee Anne Berenholz,
was. Ann Berenholtz, Mrs. Frederick
Paul Keller, Jr., Chine Berenholz,
Ann Berenholtz, Ann Putterman,
Ann Berenholz, Ann Keller

T-4 (2/28/55)

Informant indicated that ANN BERENHOLTZ was a member of the CP as of approximately late 1953 and had been a CP member for approximately 18 years to that time. [REDACTED]

hark of her. One person had seen it in the State of Michigan, Ohio and Kentucky.

T-5 (II/29/58)

EVELYN BURKETT as of November 29, 1950, was Executive Secretary of the Music Division of the Hollywood Arts, Sciences and Professions Council (HASP).

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[REDACTED]

-T-7 (5/17-25/47)
(6/15/47)

JANET GOLDSTEIN was dropped from the CP because of "political reasons" in January, 1947. At that time she had been a member of the CP for six years and had been registered with the LACCP in the Sunset Club.

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JEAN LOGAN attended the Seventh Annual Conference of the Los Angeles Committee for Protection of Foreign Born (LACFPB) on April 6, 1957, at 2570 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles. b7D

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SARAH CASHMAN registered as a Communist in 1936 from the Fifth Assembly District, New York, New York, and signed CP nominating petitions on September 30, 1940, and July 12, 1942. b7D

T-11 (5/6/47)

SARAH CASHMAN was listed as a member of the Speakers' Committee for the Roosevelt Memorial Meeting being held by the Hunts Point Section, Bronx County, New York, CP, U.S.A., on April 12, 1947.

ROBERT CANON, 2737 N.E. Eleventh Avenue, Portland, Oregon, appeared before the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) hearings at Portland, Oregon, on June 19, 1954, in response to a subpoena and readily admitted his connection with the CP at Portland, Oregon, during the period 1946 to 1948. Among others, he identified TOM MOORE as a person known to him as being a member of the CP during this period.

U. S. Attorney C. E. LUCKEY, Portland, Oregon, advised SA FRANCIS J. SMITH on November 16, 1954, that

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TOM MOORE appeared before the HCUA at Portland, Oregon, on June 19, 1954, in response to a subpoena and was represented by counsel at this time. TOM MOORE declined to answer questions and invoked a number of Amendments to the Federal Constitution as his reason for declining.

Because of his refusal to answer certain questions, TOM MOORE was cited for contempt of Congress on July 23, 1954.

On November 30, 1954, TOM MOORE was indicted by an Oregon Federal Grand Jury on a charge of contempt of Congress.

On February 14, 1955, TOM MOORE was found guilty by a Federal Jury at Portland, Oregon, on three counts of contempt of Congress.

On February 26, 1955, TOM MOORE was sentenced to six months in jail and \$100. fine. Both the jail sentence and the fine were suspended, and he was placed on probation for three years.

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As of December 9, 1957, the aims and objectives of the LASC continued to be as follows: b2

- 1). Free MORTON SOBELL.
- 2). Obtain a new trial for MORTON SOBELL.
- 3). Educate the public on the Sobell case.
- 4). Publicize the Sobell case.
- 5). Raise funds for legal expenses.
- 6). Influence people to petition President EISENHOWER to exercise Executive authority.

In addition to the foregoing, informant advised that investigative work will be continued to prove that MORTON SOBELL was "framed." Informant advised that there is being planned now a large scale Executive Clemency campaign to be launched in the near future.

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The July 15, 1949, edition of the "Washington Times Herald," a Washington D. C. newspaper, carried an article entitled "Probers Told Robeson is a Veteran Red." This article reflects that MANNING JOHNSON, an ex-CP leader, told Congress on July 14, 1949, that PAUL ROBESON has been a member of the CP for many years. JOHNSON said he met ROBESON frequently at the CP headquarters in New York where ROBESON held secret meetings with EARL BROWDER, WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, and others.

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A meeting sponsored by the [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Sobell Committee was held [REDACTED]

At this meeting a film entitled "Was Justice Done" was shown showing that MORTON SOBELL was illegally deported from Mexico to the United States. The picture begins with MORTON SOBELL's arrest and continues through his trial with the ROSENBERGS. The film alleged that SOBELL was kidnaped by local Mexican police and that he was not then using an assumed name. According to the film, the Mexican Government had nothing to do with the deportation.

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At this meeting Mrs. SOBELL spoke about the recent visit with her husband at Alcatraz and made a plea for \$10,000. to carry on the case and prove her husband's innocence. She stated that all the public sentiment that can be gained is needed.

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T-1 (August, 1957)

A garden party and buffet supper sponsored by the Los Angeles Area Chapter of the LASC as a fund raising affair was held on August 4, 1957, at 2218 West 21st Street, Los Angeles. HELEN SOBELL, wife of MORTON SOBELL, spoke. She said she had visited Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, and a few surrounding cities in Canada where they had a showing of the film strip concerning the Sobell case. She said she also visited in Seattle, Stockton, and other cities surrounding San Francisco, as well as that city. She said she stopped in Denver before arriving on the West Coast and had talked with the publisher of the "Denver Post" who said his publication would do everything it could for MORTON SOBELL's case. HELEN SOBELL also spoke generally about the Amicus Curiae Brief to be filed with the U. S. Supreme Court. She stated that the legal expenses for the handling of this appeal before the Supreme Court would be \$10,000. X

T-1 (8/12/57)

Informant made available a form letter under the letterhead of the LASC and addressed to "Dear Committee Friend" and signed by HELEN SOBELL. This letter is quoted as follows: X

"August 5, 1957

"Dear Committee Friend,

"With less than a month to complete our Amicus Brief, we thought it might be helpful to you to know some of the responses we have already received. X

"Our West Coast Chairman, DANIEL MARSHALL has undertaken the writing of the legal Am. C. Brief to which our statement with all its signers will be attached. X

"In Vancouver, B.C., the Sobell Committee is preparing and circulating a Canadian Am. C. Brief with the help of BARRISTER HARRY RANKIN. X

"In Seattle, my appearance on two TV news broadcasts and on the radio has helped with the work.

"The plan for mailing the newspaper together with a telephone followup has been discussed and additional people have enthusiastically offered to work.

"San Francisco has set itself a goal of 3000 signers to the Am. C. Brief and is preparing for approaches to Union groups throughout the city. In addition they are planning street collections of signatures because San Francisco has Alcatraz so constantly in view.

"In all of the areas, the film strip continues to be a most effective medium. In Stockton, there was a showing of the film strip at a membership meeting of a union local, and it voted to sign the Am. C. Brief. The same was true for Sacramento, and in Fresno a meeting at the Unitarian Church showed the film and heard me speak. They advertised their meeting in their newspaper, 'The Fresno Bee'. At the meeting itself people signed the Am. C. Brief and made contributions to the legal expenses.

"Los Angeles has developed an approach of asking individuals to take the responsibility of giving Am. C. Briefs to their friends to circulate. The enclosed mimeographed note is being signed and addressed personally and has been speeding up matters. L.A. is preparing a mailing of 3000 Am. C. Briefs.

"In Denver the idea of the Am. C. Brief was presented to a board meeting of the ACLU. It was a most heart-warming experience when our national office received the signature of STEPHEN LOVE together with his financial contribution among the first returns.

"Please look at the outline of action we have prepared and determine how you can help. Remember, we want not only to make this a good fight -- we want to win!

"Sincerely,

"/s/ HELEN SOBELL

"Mrs. MORTON SOBELL."

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of the LASC was held [REDACTED]

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HELEN SOBELL was the principal

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At this meeting WIDGE NEWMAN reported that by the end of that week the LASC should have at least 10,000 signatures on the Sobell petitions. She stated she was confident that the U. S. Supreme Court would grant SOBELL a new hearing.

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T-1 (10/31/57)

A special meeting called by the LASC was held on October 23, 1957, at 468 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles. Approximately 55 persons were present. At this meeting DAN MARSHALL and WIDGE NEWMAN shared the chair. DAN MARSHALL opened the meeting with a brief account of recent developments in the Sobell case, i.e., mention of HELEN SOBELL's name in the current trial of Colonel ABEL on October 14, 1957, publication of the "Look" article (October 29, 1957 issue) concerning the ROSENBERGS and SOBELL.

DAN MARSHALL read a memorandum by SOBELL's attorneys which will be filed with a brief now pending before the U. S. Supreme Court which in effect states that the publication of this material is prejudicial. DAN MARSHALL stated that if the U. S. Government has additional information it should be used in the courts. DAN MARSHALL also said that it was ridiculous to think that HELEN SOBELL would engage in espionage while her husband is in Alcatraz, especially when she has been under surveillance.

At this meeting a copy of the film showing an interview by JOHN WINGATE of HELEN SOBELL on his October 11, 1957, "Nightbeat" program was shown. Informant advised that this film is of high emotional content and will be used wherever possible to educate the people and to raise funds.

There was general discussion from the floor with many suggestions, some of which were carried out. A nightletter was sent to "Look" magazine expressing indignation. A letter is to be sent to HELEN SOBELL congratulating her on her performance on the "Nightbeat" program.

At this meeting it was decided to mail 4,000 pieces within the next week to the Sobell Committee mailing list bringing people up to date on events.

At this meeting WIDGE NEWMAN stated that some of the newspapers throughout the country are indignant at the release of the material to the press by the U. S. Government. She further stated that the "Oregonian" had come out editorially for a new trial for MORTON SOBELL.

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At this meeting it was stated that the LASC is very optimistic of getting a new trial for MORTON SOBELL. It feels that the U. S. Government would not have released all this information to the press had it felt certain that the U. S. Supreme Court will rule in favor of MORTON SOBELL.

IX. LEGAL ASPECTS

T-1 (8/12/57)

Informant made available a letter signed by HELEN SOBELL dated August, 1957, on her personal letterhead. This letter enclosed a copy of an Amicus Curiae Brief with the request that it be circulated and signed among other individuals.

This letter is quoted as follows:

"August, 1957

"Dear Friend,

"At the beginning of September we are submitting to the United States Supreme Court our petition for a new trial for my husband MORTON SOBELL.

"For 7 years of imprisonment my husband has maintained his innocence. Increasingly, eminent voices such as Senator WILLIAM LANGER, ELMER DAVIS, former Governor CULBERT OLSON, the Chaplain at Alcatraz, hundreds of rabbis, ministers, and professionals have asked for a new trial, or freedom for MORTON SOBELL.

"The recent Supreme Court decisions provide us not only with an atmosphere favorable to review but also with additional legal grounds for appeal. The concern and doubts raised in our case can never be answered until a new trial is granted.

"I therefore come to you directly at this most hopeful moment, asking that you add your name and your dollars to the enclosed Amicus Curiae Brief, in expression of your interest in Justice. Moreover, I ask you to approach others if possible.

"We know that if a hearing is granted, my husband will return home a free man. We know how much this means to you as an American - how much you have done and will do to make this possible.

Yours sincerely,

"/s/ HELEN SOBELL
"Mrs. MORTON SOBELL

Please Note: Your response must be received by August 26, 1957."

The Amicus Curiae Brief is quoted as follows:

"AMICUS CURIAE BRIEF

"Historically, Americans have availed themselves of the privilege of acting as Friends of the Court in cases which concern their common well-being. We respectfully bring to the attention of the Supreme Court of the United States our grave concern with the serious legal and moral issues in the case of MORTON SOBELL.

"Since his arrest seven years ago, MORTON SOBELL has steadfastly sought to prove his innocence of 'conspiracy to commit espionage,' the charge on which he was sentenced to 30 years and imprisoned in Alcatraz. People throughout the country, and in many nations abroad, have seen the integrity of American justice challenged by his conviction and imprisonment.

"MORTON SOBELL's present appeals offer documentary evidence that the prosecution knowingly used fraud and perjury to obtain his conviction. None of the new evidence has been refuted. Clearly a court review is required. We look hopefully to the Supreme Court to resolve the issues raised in accordance with the Court's traditional vigilance over our system of justice.

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"We therefore request that the case of MORTON SOBELL be reviewed and a hearing granted, and we authorize the inclusion of our names in an Amicus Curiae Brief."

This Amicus Curiae Brief contains spaces for names and addresses as well as amount of contribution.

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At this meeting it was announced that the three petitions to the U. S. Supreme Court concerning the conviction of MORTON SOBELL will be on the following grounds:

- 1). The known use of perjured testimony by the prosecution.
- 2). The fact that the Extradition Treaty with Mexico was violated by the U. S. Government when the FBI "kidnaped" MORTON SOBELL.
- 3). The attempt of the prosecution to discredit ETHEL ROSENBERG for her use of the Fifth Amendment when testifying.

On November 12, 1957, the U. S. Supreme Court declined all petitions in the Sobell case.

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X. SUBVERSIVE RAMIFICATIONS

A. Connections with the CP

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] At this meeting it was announced that a meeting was to be held [REDACTED] concerning the Morton Sobell case. It was announced that WIDGE NEWMAN would be present to tell the facts of the Sobell case. All persons present at this CP meeting were urged to attend. It was also announced that a movie of SOBELL's life would be shown at the meeting on June 16, 1957. b7D

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] At this meeting HELEN SOBELL spoke. She stated that she left New York on July 6, 1957, and has since been to Vancouver, Seattle, San Francisco, Sacramento, Fresno, and Denver. While in Denver she said that she talked to the editor of the "Denver Post" and he told her that the "Post" supported her in her present action. She said that the Fishermen's Union in Seattle welcomed her as did the Warehousemen in Fresno. She also stated that she was interviewed on a news program. She said she is leaving soon for San Francisco and then will return to New York. She said that it is costing about b7D

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\$4,000. per month to maintain the fight to free MORTON and that the Amicus Curiae Brief is going to cost about \$10,000. That is the reason, she explained, that there is a campaign on for 10,000 signatures and contributions on the Amicus Curiae Brief. She said that she expects an average of \$1. contribution per signature. She said that she keeps in touch with MORTON and that he is fine. She said MORTON SOBELL has been promoted to a \$.20 an hour job refinishing office desks. HELEN SOBELL said that the reason MORTON never took the witness stand during his trial was because if he had invoked the Fifth Amendment it would have reflected badly towards him because of the hysteria of the times and to not invoke the Fifth Amendment it would have reflected badly on JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG. She said that the U. S. Supreme Court, which has never reviewed the Rosenberg-Sobell case, is going to be asked to either free MORTON or grant him a new trial on the grounds of fraud on the part of the prosecution's witnesses, violation of the U. S. - Mexico Treaty which cancels out the conviction of MORTON because of his kidnaping by U. S. Agents, and the prejudiced manner of conduct on the part of the judge. She said that the judge is going to be asked to disqualify himself on the grounds of improper conduct at a different trial at a later date. She said that in the witness's testimony in the court transcript it stated that the witness was followed by the FBI to the home of MORTON SOBELL where he related to MORTON that he had been followed by the FBI.

This witness stated that MORTON told him that they should leave immediately as he had some important secret papers that had to be delivered to JULIUS ROSENBERG. The witness and MORTON drove to a place near the home of the ROSENBERGS where MORTON went alone from there. When MORTON returned to the car he was asked by the witness what JULIUS had said concerning the trailing by the FBI, and MORTON told him that he had said that it did not matter too much. HELEN SOBELL stated that ETHEL ROSENBERG had told her that she was going to invoke the Fifth Amendment before the Grand Jury because she did not want any prosecuting attorney twisting anything around that she might say. HELEN SOBELL said that she did the same thing when she appeared before the Grand Jury. HELEN SOBELL said that all sorts of

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] At this meeting petitions were handed out to the members present to have signed for SOBELL's appeal for a new trial.

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] At this meeting support of the Sobell case was reaffirmed.

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B. Connections with the Socialist Workers Party (SWP)

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] B1

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] 070

At a meeting of [REDACTED] SWP [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] it was announced that petitions on behalf of MORTON SOBELL were then available for comrades to pass to their friends for signatures and contributions.

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] A meeting of [REDACTED] SWP was held

At this meeting instructions were given for distribution of Sobell material to the various SWP branches. It was also announced that about 60 signatures had been collected on petitions supporting the Sobell case. b7D

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] HELEN SOBELL

In her talk to the group gave a rundown of the pertinent facts surrounding her husband's arrest, trial, and conviction. She also told of meeting with various groups across the country like this particular meeting and her hopes through these meetings of securing MORTON SOBELL's release and pardon and subsequently the dropping of the charges surrounding the death of the ROSENBERGS. She also told of her hopes for a retrial very soon under the new U. S. Supreme Court ruling, plus evidence secured since SOBELL's confinement that has not been presented before. At this meeting a collection was taken up to help finance the Sobell case. b7D

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] At this meeting HELEN SOBELL spoke for some thirty minutes on the Sobell case, the new evidence obtained, and details of the conditions of his imprisonment. Her appeal was based on sympathy and political freedom, terminating with a request for financial help and request for signatures on the new Amicus Curiae Brief. Informant advised that contributions from the group present were generous. b7D

C. Connections with the PPWC

The PPWC has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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D. Connections with the Downtown Club

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

At this meeting the Morton Sobell case was generally discussed and petitions were circulated among those present for signatures to aid in his legal battle to be released from prison. 070

E. Connections with the Unitarian Fellowship for Social Justice (UFSJ)

[REDACTED]

A program sponsored by the UFSJ was held [REDACTED] at the First Unitarian Church, Eighth Street, Los Angeles. This program was for the benefit of MORTON SOBELL. The LASC served lunch at the church, the proceeds of which went to the LASC. 070

F. Connections with the Jewish Information Service (JIS) (Los Angeles Jewish Cultural and Fraternal Clubs; Fraternal Medical Plan of the California Fraternal Service Association)

[REDACTED]

A meeting of the [REDACTED] Los Angeles Jewish Cultural and Fraternal Clubs was held 070

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] At this meeting all clubs were urged to take part in signing petitions to the U. S. Supreme Court for a new trial for MORTON SOBELL. SOBELL petitions were distributed to club representatives present at this meeting to circulate for signatures. 070

XI. MISCELLANEOUS

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[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] b-1

XII. APPENDIX

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION

The FBI has never conducted an investigation of the American Civil Liberties Union. It is noted that the Fifth Report of the California Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities (1949) notes the following: "American Civil Liberties Union: Cited as heavily infiltrated with Communists and fellow travelers and frequently following the Communist Party line and defending Communists, particularly in its Los Angeles unit. (California Committee on Un-American Activities Report, 1948, pages 108-12)."

In connection with the foregoing citation the following is noted: In January, 1955, an official of the California Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities advised that a representative of the American Civil Liberties Union contacted the Committee to discuss the above citation. At that time this individual advised that two members of the American Civil Liberties Union in Los Angeles had been expelled because of their pro-Communist sympathies. On May 27, 1955, a representative of the California Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities advised that the status of the American Civil Liberties Union, insofar as the Committee's evaluation is concerned, has not been changed and that the Committee's past characterizations of the American Civil Liberties Union remain the same.

In connection with the above, it is noted that the 34th Annual Report of the American Civil Liberties Union (for the year 1954) re-affirms the anti-Communist and anti-Fascist policy of the American Civil Liberties Union and maintains also that it will defend the civil liberties of all persons regardless of any political party, organization, denomination, race or nationality to which a person may belong.

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DOWNTOWN CLUB OF LOS ANGELES

An informant advised on May 7, 1957, that the Downtown Club of Los Angeles is a former Independent Progressive Party club which became an autonomous organization during the spring of 1955 after the Independent Progressive Party had lost its place on the ballot.

Its principal activity is to sponsor a weekly "Progressive Forum" which frequently features Communist Party members as speakers. The club is currently active and is dominated by the Communist Party through Communist Party members who hold positions of leadership in the club.

The Independent Progressive Party has been described by the California Committee on Un-American Activities in its 1948 Report, page 41, as follows: "Among typical mass organizations that are victims of Communist domination."

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HOLLYWOOD ARTS, SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS COUNCIL

An informant advised on January 4, 1956, that until January 3, 1956, the Hollywood Arts, Sciences and Professions Council was the Southern California Chapter of the National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions in New York City and consistently followed the program and policies of the parent organization. On January 3, 1956, the Hollywood Arts, Sciences and Professions Council officially dissolved by action of its executive committee and vote of its membership.

The National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions has been cited as a "Communist front" by the United States Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities in House Report No. 1954, dated April 26, 1950.

APPENDIX

JEWISH INFORMATION SERVICE (LOS ANGELES JEWISH CULTURAL AND FRATERNAL CLUBS; FRATERNAL MEDICAL PLAN OF THE CALIFORNIA FRATERNAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION)

An informant advised on May 6, 1957, that the Jewish Information Service was formed about January, 1954, in Los Angeles for the purpose of continuing "cultural" activity of the International Workers Order. The Jewish Information Service guides the activity of the Los Angeles Jewish Cultural and Fraternal Clubs. Prior to March 4, 1956, the Los Angeles Jewish Cultural and Fraternal Clubs were identified as the Los Angeles Jewish Cultural Clubs, this group being formerly known as lodges of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order. The Jewish Information Service and the Los Angeles Jewish Cultural and Fraternal Clubs are currently active in the Los Angeles area.

The Fraternal Medical Plan of the California Fraternal Service Association was formed about January, 1954, for the purpose of continuing the activity of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order Medical Plan. Since that date, the functioning of the Fraternal Medical Plan of the California Fraternal Service Association has been integrated into the operation of the Los Angeles Jewish Cultural and Fraternal Clubs inasmuch as the service provided by the Fraternal Medical Plan of the California Fraternal Service Association is made available almost exclusively to members of the Los Angeles Jewish Cultural and Fraternal Clubs; further, effort is made to have members of the Los Angeles Jewish Cultural and Fraternal Clubs also become members of the Fraternal Medical Plan of the California Fraternal Service Association.

The Fraternal Medical Plan of the California Fraternal Service Association is currently active in the Los Angeles area.

The International Workers Order and the Jewish People's Fraternal Order have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN

According to the California Senate Fact Finding Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1955, page 388, "This particular committee is well known as a Communist front."

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NATIONAL LAWYERS' GUILD

The Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities Report on the National Lawyers' Guild, House Report No. 3123, dated September 21, 1950, cited the National Lawyers' Guild as a Communist front which "is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations, and controlled unions" and which "since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the Communist Party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents."

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UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP FOR SOCIAL
JUSTICE (LOS ANGELES CHAPTER)

An informant advised on May 14, 1956, that the Unitarian Fellowship for Social Justice of the First Unitarian Church, 2936 West 8th Street, Los Angeles, California, is controlled and directed by members or former members of the Communist Party (CP). The Unitarian Fellowship for Social Justice originally was not a Communist-controlled organization, and in Los Angeles membership in the organization does not necessarily indicate CP membership or CP sympathy on the part of any particular member.

The bylaws of the Unitarian Fellowship for Social Justice, adopted in January, 1954, state that the purpose for which the Unitarian Fellowship for Social Justice was organized is to implement in daily life the principles of liberal religion; to deepen the sense of individual social obligation by study and investigation of existing economic, political and social problems; and by promoting and participating in social action directed to their solution.

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APPENDIX

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 100-41648

January 9, 1958

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL IN
THE ROSENBERG CASE; LOS ANGELES
COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR
MORTON SOBELL, Aka. Los Angeles
Committee to Secure Justice in
the Rosenberg Case, Los Angeles
Rosenberg-Sobell Committee, Los
Angeles Sobell Committee

In the report of Special Agent William J. Panttaja at Los Angeles, California, dated January 9, 1958, all informants have furnished reliable information in the past.

This memorandum is loaned to you by the FBI, and neither it nor its contents are to be distributed outside the agency to which loaned.

100 - 107111 - 2751

Shirley

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

DATE: JAN 9 1952

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41648)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL IN
THE ROSENBERG CASE; LOS ANGELES
COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR
MORTON SOBELL, aka. Los Angeles
Committee to Secure Justice in
the Rosenberg Case, Los Angeles
Rosenberg-Sobell Committee, Los
Angeles Sobell Committee
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(OO: NEW YORK)

Re report of SA WILLIAM J. PANTTAJA at Los Angeles
dated JAN 5 1952 six copies of which are enclosed herewith
together with six copies of a Letterhead Memorandum.

One copy of referenced report and one copy of the
Letterhead Memorandum are being furnished to San Diego and
San Francisco for information since it has been indicated
that there is a close alliance between the Los Angeles Sobell
Committee (LASC) and the Sobell Committees of those areas.

This report is classified confidential since it
contains security information, the disclosure of which would
adversely affect the internal security of the United States.

Careful consideration has been given to each
source concealed, and T symbols were utilized in the report
only in those instances where the identities of the sources
must be concealed.

- 2 Bureau (100-387835) (Encls. - 12) (Registered)
- 2 New York (100-107111) (Encls. - 4) (Registered) *see ser 275042751*
- 1 San Diego (100-9380) (Info.) (Encls. - 2) (Registered)
- 1 San Francisco (100-35117) (Info.) (Encls. - 2) (Registered)
- 2 Los Angeles (100-41648)

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Copies of this report have been designated to FIO, Region II, and OSI, District 18, Maywood, for the interest of those agencies.

LEAD

LOS ANGELES OFFICE:

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA:

Will continue to follow and report the activities of the LASC.

INFORMANTS

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T-9 [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]			[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] 070
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T-30 [REDACTED]			[REDACTED] b7D

Documentation of Organizations:

Downtown Club [REDACTED]

Hollywood Arts, Sciences
and Professions Council [REDACTED]

Jewish Information Service [REDACTED]

Unitarian Fellowship for
Social Justice [REDACTED] b7D

REFERENCE

Report of SA WILLIAM J. PANTTAJA at Los Angeles
dated 6/19/57.

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AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, Chicago

FROM: SAC, St. Louis (100-11726)

THE COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL
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[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that HAVEN PERKINS, resident of St. Louis and National Organizer for subject committee, left for Chicago with his wife, CLARA, during the preceding week end. Information regarding his activities in Chicago is not available. [REDACTED] stated PERKINS will probably do some type of organizational work for the subject committee. b7C

[REDACTED]
This is for your information. b7C

HOWARD

- 2 - Chicago
- 1 - New York (100-107111)
- 4 - St. Louis
(1 - 100-11726)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

FROM : SAC, WFO (100-25474)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka.
IS-C; ISA of 1950
(OO: NY)

DATE:

On 12/28/57 SA PAUL E. MORRISON recovered from a trash cover maintained on SYLVIA BERNSTEIN, 9340 Harvey Road, Silver Spring, Maryland, the material described below.

This material, with the exception of that which is being furnished the Minneapolis Office, described below, is maintained in WFO file 100-25474-1B3 (43).

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2 - Chicago (100-25530) (RM)	
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	2 - Portland (RM)
2 - Detroit (100-20938) (RM)	2 - Salt Lake City (RM)
2 - Houston (RM)	2 - San Diego (RM)
1 - Los Angeles (RM)	1 - San Francisco (RM)
2 - Miami (RM)	2 - Seattle (RM)
1 - Milwaukee (100-11982) (RM)	
1 - Minneapolis (Encl.-1) (RM)	2 - St. Louis (RM)
3 - New Haven (RM)	2 - WFO

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1. An envelope postmarked NYC, 12/16/57, addressed to SYLVIA BERNSTEIN and bearing return address, Room D, 940 Broadway, New York 10, N. Y.
2. The above-mentioned envelope contained an undated mimeographed memorandum with the letterhead, "Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL, 940 Broadway (entrance on 22nd Street) New York 10, N. Y." This memorandum contains the signature in ink of "TED JACOBS" and is as follows:

"At our national conference it was recommended that our major committees be sent the addresses of other committees so that material and suggestions could be exchanged.

"We are sending you such a list, and are also enclosing a copy of a stirring report by the Minnesota Sobell Committee. This report, as well as illustrating the value of exchanging such material, is an inspiring example of what can now be accomplished in cities throughout the country. We hope you will glean some useful ideas and approaches from it."

3. The addresses described in the first paragraph of the letter mentioned above is as follows:

"LIST FOR EXCHANGING INFORMATION

"Bay Area Sobell Committees
345 Franklin Street
San Francisco 2, California

"Los Angeles Sobell Committee
462 No. Western Avenue
Los Angeles, California

"Milt Lessner
4928 Vista Place
San Diego, California

WFO 100-25474

"Edith Bona
41 Bryant Street
Bridgeport, Conn.

"Willard Uphaus
66 Edgewood
New Haven, Conn.

"Sarah Hammond
158 East Main Street
Newark, Del.

"E.A. Stander
951 Jefferson Avenue
Miami Beach, Fla.

"Sylvia Bernstein
9340 Harvey Road
Silver Springs, Md.

"Chicago Sobell Committee
Room 1301
20 West Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, Ill.

"Miss Dorothy Spiker
814 Gov. Nicholls
New Orleans 16, La.

"Mrs. Julia Samuels
2454 Callow Avenue
Baltimore, Md.

"Lil Shubow
15 Van Roosen Rd.
Newton 59, Mass.

"Morris Gleicher
2935 Oakman Court
Detroit, Mich.

"Minnesota Sobell Committee
715 So. Lexington Parkway
St. Paul 2, Minn.

"Clara Perkins
3715 LaSalle
St. Louis, Mo.

"Mrs. Lillian Reiner
1009 Cumberland
Syracuse, N.Y.

"Mil Rothenberg
1031 E 125th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

"Jean Robbins
341 Euclid Ave.
Akron 7, Ohio

"Rose Leopold
2033 S.E. Ash
Portland, Oregon

"Morris Bogdanow
901 Scanlan Bldg.
Houston, Texas

"Lois Dunne
1136 Redwood Dr.
Salt Lake City, Utah

"Milwaukee Sobell Committee
914 No. Plankinton Ave.
Milwaukee, Wis.

"Caroline Canafax
3702 West Tillman
Seattle, Wash.

"J. Garfinkle
88 Richmond St. West
Toronto, Canada

"Vancouver Sobell Committee
339 W Pender Street
Vancouver, B.C., Canada"

4. The report by the Minnesota Sobell Committee, referred to above, consists of three mimeographed pages and is headed "REPORT from the MINNESOTA COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL to the NATIONAL SOBELL COMMITTEE on the Malcolm Sharp Meeting in Minneapolis on December 5, 1957"

The above-mentioned report from the Minnesota Sobell Committee is being sent as an enclosure to the Minneapolis Office.

Minneapolis should furnish New York and Chicago pertinent portions of this report which has not been previously furnished to these offices.

The Bureau is being furnished copies of instant letter in the event dissemination to Canada is desired regarding the names, "J. Garfinkle," and "Vancouver Sobell Committee."

Regarding SYLVIA BERNSTEIN, [REDACTED] on 2/26/53 identified SYLVIA BERNSTEIN as a current CP member. [REDACTED] has furnished reliable information in the past. Her identity should be continued to be protected.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York DATE: 1/14/58

FROM : *CUB*
F.D. SAC, Detroit (100-1549)

SUBJECT: "GLOS LUDOWY" (People's Voice)
IS - C

ATTENTION: FBI Laboratory, Translation Unit

The _____ edition of the Polish language newspaper "Glos Ludowy" is enclosed for translation by the Bureau. The translations should follow suggestions previously furnished. Original newspaper should be returned to Detroit with the translations.

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The 12/14/57 issue of "Glos Ludowy," Page 12, Column 5, of the English Section contained an article which contains information pertaining to individuals or organizations within your jurisdiction.

A Photostat of the article is being furnished for informational purposes and for any action you deem necessary.

The attached is a summary of information translated from the _____ issue of "Glos Ludowy," Page _____, Column _____.

The information which pertains to individuals or organizations within your division is being furnished for informational purposes and for any action deemed appropriate.

Translated by: Bureau Translator _____

Detroit Translator _____

On April 19, 1955, [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past (protect identity), advised that the "Glos Ludowy" is a Polish-English language weekly newspaper published in Detroit which closely follows the Communist Party line. The entire editorial policy of this newspaper is controlled by CP members. 870

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*(Committee To Secure Justice
FOR MORTON SOBELL)* *100-107111*

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Open National Public Appeal By One Million For Sobell

New York — The Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell has announced the opening of a national public appeal for action by one million Americans on behalf of Morton Sobell. The national effort will be expressed through the gathering of signatures, sending of letters and telegrams to the White House, and public meetings in every part of the country.

The Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago, St. Louis and New York Sobell Committees will be the coordinating centers to launch the program.

The growing interest in the Sobell case throughout the country proves that the public, given the facts, will not tolerate the continued denial of imprisonment of an innocent civilian in Alcatraz, the Committee's persistent claim.

A program of action has been adopted by representatives of Sobell Committees in various parts of the country who met for a national conference in New York on November 26 and December 1. The program includes the following plan:

1. There will be intensified legal research and investigation to obtain new evidence for further court action, and to further expose the fraudulence of the conviction.

2. Intellectual organizations and leading publications will be urged to make objective inquiries into the facts.

3. Support for Sobell's release from prison will be obtained through the circulation of petitions calling for execution, parole, or commutation. More than 15,000 persons, including many persons of national prominence, have already signed appeals asking for Sobell's freedom, a new trial, or his transfer from the maximum security prison Alcatraz.

Regional reports of the national committee showed that millions of Americans have already been informed about (Continued on Page 11)

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK

FROM : SAC, NEW HAVEN (100-14203)

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL
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DATE: January 16, 1958

OO: New York

On January 2, 1958, [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, made available to SA LLOYD S. GOODROW the following item, which he received through the United States mails, December 16, 1957. Original information is located [REDACTED] **B7D**

One invitation to attend a New Year's Eve marathon party sponsored by the Sobell Committee, 940 Broadway, New York City, New York.

The above item is enclosed for the New York Division.

see 1B877

- ② - New York (Enc.-1) (RM)
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One report on the stationery of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, 940 Broadway, New York 10, New York, entitled "One Million for Morton Sobell."

The above item is enclosed for the New York Division.

- see 1B878
- (2) - New York (Enc. 1) (RM)
 - 2 - New Haven [REDACTED] b7D

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TO : SAC NEW YORK (100-107111)

DATE: 1/21/58

FROM : SA CHARLES WEERLE

SUBJECT: MORTON SOBELL
IS - C, ESPIONAGE

At 2:30PM on 1/21/58 EDWARD O'ROURKE, 88 Swan Lane, Levittown L.I. Pershing 1-6361, telephonically contacted this office. He stated that yesterday afternoon, 1/20/58 his wife was contacted by one of their neighbors, MRS. MARION ROSENTHWEIG (Ph). She asked MRS. O'ROURKE if she would like to go to a Bingo game? Mrs. O'ROURKE said yes and then ROSENTHWEIG stated that there would be a collection after the game. When asked why, she stated that they were forming a committee to raise money for a lawyer for ARTHUR SOBELL. When MRS. O'ROURKE said why he is a convicted Spy, ROSENTHWEIG said well we believe he is innocent and we are raising money to free him. Mrs. O' then stated that she did not want to go to the game.

O'ROURKE stated that he thought he ought to call because this is not the first instance of activity of this sort on her part.

O'ROURKE stated that as far as he knows MARION ROSENTHWEIG and her husband HARRY and HARVEY and HEDDA MARKOWITZ belonged to this committee. He stated that he did not know how to spell the name ROSENTHWEIG. He stated that he does not know their exact street number but they live across the street from him and next door to each other. The number would probably be in the 90s.

He stated that these people have told him that they plan to start holding bingo games in private homes during the winter in order to raise money to free ARTHUR SOBELL. He said that he thought that the name they used was ARTHUR. He said that MARION had said that his wife HELEN SOBELL had been on the television recently.

O'ROURKE further stated that these people have told him that they attend meetings at which there are lectures and slides on Red China and these people defend Red China and say that it is only prejudice on the US part to condemn Red China. These people have tried to get the O'ROURKES to attend these meetings but to date they have refused.

O'ROURKE stated that these people also keep stating that the ROSENBERG'S were innocent and in fact that one time O'ROURKE and his wife were in the MARKOWITZ house when the phone rang and HEDDA answered it when she hung up she stated that she would have to go to Washington D.C. When she returned from Washington she was all worked up over the fact that the ROSENBERG'S were innocent. O'ROURKE said he then read in the papers about the ROSENBERG picket lines in Washington. HEDDA has never actually told him that she was in the lines however.

O'ROURKE describes these people as follows:

MARION ROSENTHWEIG age about 34, Black hair, 5'1", 160lbs., Heavy build, white, female.

HARRY ROSENTHWEIG age about 35, Grey hair, 5'9", 195lbs. White

HEDDA MARKOWITZ age 26, Blonde, 5'3", 125lbs, attended CCNY

HARVEY MARKOWITZ age 28, Blonde, 6', 180lbs.

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SAC, ALBANY (100-13260)

1/23/58

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL
IS-C

Re Albany letter dated 1/3/58, which
furnished the NYO a film pack of undeveloped film
containing pictures of a letter from the National
Headquarters of captioned organization.

[Redacted block]

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Enclosed find two (2) prints of instant
letter and the photographic negatives from which the
prints were made. One copy of the prints is being
retained in the NY file.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)

DATE: JAN 27 1958

FROM : SAC, WFO (100-25474)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka
IS-C; ISA OF 1950
(OO:NY)

On 1/8/58 a trash cover maintained on the residence of SYLVIA BERNSTEIN, 9340 Harvey Road, Silver Spring, Maryland, made available to SA PAUL E. MORRISON, an open envelope postmarked, St. Louis, Missouri, dated December 31, 1957, addressed to Miss SYLVIA BERNSTEIN, 9340 Harvey Road, Silversprings, Maryland, and bearing return address "Perkins, 3175 Lasalle Street, St. Louis 10, Missouri."

The above described envelope contains a two-page mimeographed report as follows:

'HIGHLIGHTS OF RECENT SOBELL WORK--NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS FROM HAVEN PERKINS

"Sobell work has made friends for me to whom I'd like to write letters. Some have written me, to my great delight, and I'd love to hear from the others if they are not too busy. I find people want to know my experience since I visited Harvard, and where we stand now.

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1-Los Angeles (RM)
1-Milwaukee (100-11982)(RM)
1-Minneapolis (RM)
2-San Francisco (Encls 2)(RM)

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"RECENT WORK. I spent several weeks in a midwestern city where for a time not much was done about Sobell. (I don't name the city. You'll be interested in details which might identify individuals.)

"Significant is the way new communities are joining the movement.

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"UNIVERSITY. (same city) Graduate students distributed literature, enlisted new supporters, and put me in touch with three deans. A presumably hostile professor brought four colleagues to lunch, and they agreed to read Sharp's book. A scientist in an administrative position bought a book, gave me key introductions, cut off interruptions, and talked to me about two local scientists who had been hounded by Congressional committees. Another scientist said to me, 'We learned in the local cases that the Justice Department was willing to use tainted witnesses.' Professors made plans for two campus showings of the film strip. In four days I sold five books and talked to 28 university people individually (could have talked to a lot more if committee work evenings had not prevented phone calls). When you see many people you know the first ones were interested.

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"HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

"Haven Perkins, 3715 LaSalle Street, St. Louis 10,
Mo. December 28, 1957."

The above mentioned envelope and two-page mimeographed report are being forwarded to St. Louis as enclosures.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, [REDACTED] b7d
FROM : SA [REDACTED] b7d
SUBJECT: ST. LOUIS COMMITTEE FOR MORTON SOBELL
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TITLE OF CASE CHANGED/ NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL, aka MINNESOTA COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL		REPORT MADE BY EWALD I. CARLSON	TYPED BY CK
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WOPSIS:

Minnesota Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL was reorganized under SWP auspices in the summer of 1957. Secretary of state group, JEAN BRUST, an SWP member, stated publicly that the organization has no other officers; however, on 1/19/58 HALSEY CARROLL installed as permanent treasurer, with JEAN BRUST continuing to act as a temporary secretary for the state group. In addition, the organization has a working committee composed primarily of SWP members. Primary activity to date has been the planning and sponsoring of a public meeting held 12/5/57 at Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis, at which MALCOLM SHARP, Chicago law professor, was the principal speaker. To add impetus to the above meeting, HELEN SOBELL, wife of MORTON SOBELL, and HAVEN PERKINS, organizer for the National Committee, appeared and spoke in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area. Purpose of organization is to secure for MORTON SOBELL a pardon or a new trial. The means to be used to achieve its purpose is to form, through petition circulation, a million sympathizers and a million-dollar operating fund.

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DETAILS:

The title is being marked "CHANGED" to delete from the title reference to the ROSENBERGS and to restrict its application solely to MORTON SOBELL.

The Socialist Workers Party has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

I. ORIGIN AND SCOPE

A. Circumstances Leading to Formation

[REDACTED] b7D
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[REDACTED] Mrs. HAVEN PERKINS, wife of HAVEN PERKINS, national organizer for the Sobell Committee, announced at a meeting held in St. Louis, Missouri, that the Minnesota Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell had been reactivated and that HAVEN PERKINS would meet with that committee in December, 1957. b7D

The "Minneapolis Star," a metropolitan newspaper in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in its November 25, 1957, issue, reports on page 12-A that Mrs. HELEN SOBELL, wife of the convicted spy for Russia, was in Minneapolis to aid in the arrangements for a public meeting to be held at Hotel Leamington, Minneapolis, December 5, 1957. The article further points out that Mrs. SOBELL is working to organize a committee of one million sympathizers under the title of the "Committee to Secure Justice in the Case of Morton Sobell."

The "Minneapolis Morning Tribune," also a metropolitan newspaper, in its November 26, 1957, issue, on page 11, reports the presence of HELEN SOBELL in the Twin Cities area for the purpose of conferring with the state group aiding in MORTON SOBELL's defense. The article further reports that

Mrs. JEAN BRUST, secretary of the state group, stated that the organization was formed in the summer of 1957 by individuals who had been associated with the defense effort. BRUST, according to the article, further stated that the organization had no other officers. The article further pointed out that since its inception in the summer of 1957, the state group had raised some \$500.00 for defense purposes and had circulated an appeal to the President among some of the more prominent individuals in the Twin Cities area.

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[REDACTED] advised December 9, 1957, that JEAN BRUST is a current member of the SWP.

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[REDACTED] advised that HAVEN PERKINS, organizer for the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, had just returned to St. Louis from Minneapolis, Minnesota. [REDACTED] stated that PERKINS, on his return to St. Louis, reported that there was a Sobell Committee at the University of Minnesota, composed of students. PERKINS stated, however, that this group do not refer to themselves as the Sobell Committee and are not actually aware of affiliation with the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell. PERKINS explained by stating that the group was working in this direction and would, in his opinion, eventually become a nucleus for a Sobell Committee at the University of Minnesota. PERKINS further reported that while in the Twin Cities area, he had made several contacts at the University of Minnesota and had received a very good reception from the faculty members of the institution.

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B. Officers

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██████████ on September 6, 1957, advised that HAROLD SWANSON and DONALD PETERSON were current members of the SWP.

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there was a meeting of the Sobell Committee. At this meeting it was announced there would be a national meeting of the Sobell Committee in New York directly after the Thanksgiving holidays.

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On November 25, 1957, [REDACTED] made available substantially the same information.

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II. GENERAL ACTIVITIES

A. Meetings

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[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] at a meeting [REDACTED] ROSS had circulated an amicus brief on behalf of MORTON SOBELL for the purpose of obtaining signatures thereon and forwarding it to the Sobell Committee in New York 020

[REDACTED] 020

[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] there had been a meeting of the "Minnesota Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell." [REDACTED] advised that LIONEL DAVIS had acted as chairman of the meeting and that JEAN BRUST, secretary of the organization, spoke in behalf of the committee and exhibited a film entitled "Was Justice Done to Morton Sobell?" [REDACTED] 020

on February 14, 1951, advised that LIONEL DAVIS was then a current member of the South Side CP Club of Minneapolis.

On November 25, 1957, [REDACTED] advised that at the Freedom of the Press bazaar held at the Labor Temple, Minneapolis, on November 24, 1957, HELEN SOBELL, wife of MORTON SOBELL, was a guest speaker and made a request of the people in attendance to support the appeal for a new trial for her husband, MORTON SOBELL.

██████████ on November 27, 1957, and ██████████ on November 26, 1957, made available substantially the same information.

The "Minneapolis Morning Tribune," in its December 6, 1957, issue, reports on page 18 that Dr. MALCOLM P. SHARP, a University of Chicago law professor, addressed a Leamington Hotel meeting of the Minnesota Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, attended by approximately 150 people. The article reports that SHARP, in his address, stated that he had started out with the assumption justice had been done in the ROSENBERG-SOBELL atomic espionage case but now believes that the executed ROSENBERGS were innocent and that MORTON SOBELL is wrongly serving a 30-year sentence in Alcatraz. SHARP, in


his address, stated that when new evidence had been uncovered in the ROSENBERG-SOBELL case, he had offered his legal assistance to the accused spies, and that during the final hectic days of their defense, his whole viewpoint changed and he became convinced of their innocence. SHARP stated that SOBELL was tried on the basis of a vague and unspecific association with the ROSENBERGS and had never been accused of conspiracy to commit atomic espionage, and that every weakness in the ROSENBERG case is a weakness in the case of MORTON SOBELL. SHARP ended his speech by stating that without regard to the legal niceties of the case involving MORTON SOBELL, the severity of his sentence was uncalled for. This meeting was held 12/5/57.

In December, 1957, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] made available substantially the same information. b7D

[REDACTED] in reporting the above meeting, advised that Professor MALCOLM SHARP was introduced by HAVEN PERKINS, field representative for the Sobell Committee from St. Louis, Missouri, and that JEAN BRUST concluded the meeting by stating that the Sobell Committee intended to start a drive on a nationwide scale for the release of MORTON SOBELL either by appeal or a complete pardon by the President, by means of a petition drive culminating in a million-signature petition. b7D

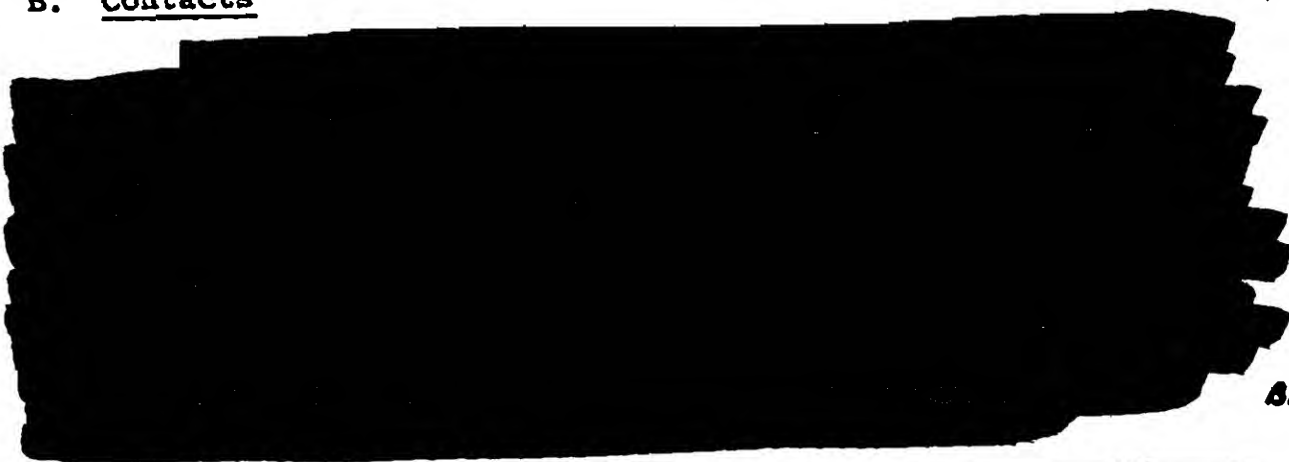
[REDACTED] in 1951, advised that MALCOLM P. SHARP was a CP member in the early 1940's and that SHARP cooperated with the Communist Party in various front activities and various Chicago political affairs. b7D

The May 21, 1949, issue of the "Chicago Tribune," a Chicago daily newspaper, on page 3, reported that MALCOLM SHARP, University of Chicago Law School professor, had stated he accepted the faculty sponsorship of the University of Chicago Communist Club because he believed that "democracy" can thrive only where there is full and open examination of all significant ideas.

 on November 22, 1954, made available a list of officers and National Executive Board members of the National Lawyers Guild who were elected in the 1954 convention. The list reflects that MALCOLM P. SHARP was elected president of the National Lawyers Guild. b7D

The National Lawyers Guild was cited by a Special Committee on Un-American Activities in their report in 1944, as a Communist-front organization.

B. Contacts

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[REDACTED] on January 3, 1958, made available a New Year's greeting received from HAVEN PERKINS, bearing the letterhead "St. Louis Committee for Morton Sobell, 3715 LaSalle Street, St. Louis 10, Missouri - HAVEN P. PERKINS, Field Representative," on which was written "Happy New Year, PERK," in which PERKINS outlines high lights of recent SOBELL work. b7D

In these high lights, PERKINS points out that he recently visited a Midwestern city (unidentified) for a SOBELL meeting, at which he received a great deal of favorable publicity. PERKINS points out there was generous newspaper, radio and TV publicity, as well as favorable contacts at the city's main university. PERKINS points out that graduate students distributed literature, enlisted new supporters and put him in touch with key faculty members. PERKINS reports that in four days, he had sold five books and talked to 28 university people individually, and that only a press of committee work prevented more contacts on his part.

In the same report PERKINS points out that in the future, he plans to concentrate his efforts in the Middle West, concentrating on such places as Chicago, St. Louis, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Madison, and possibly one or two other places.

III. SUBVERSIVE RAMIFICATIONS

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[REDACTED] advised that at a meeting of [REDACTED] the SWP [REDACTED] a review was made of the Sobell Committees operating in various parts of the country and the SWP's cooperation with them. At this meeting it was reported that the Minneapolis branch of the SWP has done a great deal of work with the Committee and that the Committee considers the SWP branch of Minnesota very helpful. 070

[REDACTED] 070

[REDACTED] on December 9, 1957, advised that the Minnesota Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell is completely controlled and dominated by the SWP. 070

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APPENDIX

MINNESOTA COMMITTEE FOR FREEDOM OF THE PRESS

[REDACTED] a meeting was held on that date in Minneapolis for the purpose of forming a Freedom of the Press Committee for this area. The aim of this organization at that time was to agitate continually against closing of Communist Party offices, arrest of Communist Party leaders, and to fight any measures that might stop circulation of the "Daily Worker," an East Coast Communist publication. 020

A confidential informant advised on April 3, 1957, that the Minnesota Freedom of the Press Committee is completely dominated and controlled by the Communist Party in this area and that leading Communist Party figures of this district are in sole possession of and maintain extensive "Daily Worker" financial and subscription records. Informant advised that MARTIN MACKIE, Chairman of the Minnesota District of the Communist Party and the Minnesota Freedom of the Press Committee, said on December 4, 1956, the Minnesota Freedom of the Press Committee is a front organization for the Minnesota District of the Communist Party. Informant also stated the Minnesota Freedom of the Press Committee is definitely a part of the National Committee for Freedom of the Press, the latter organization having been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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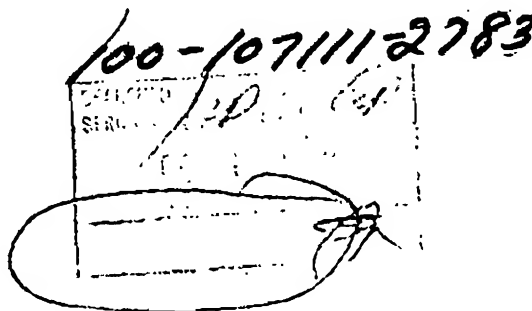
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January 28, 1958

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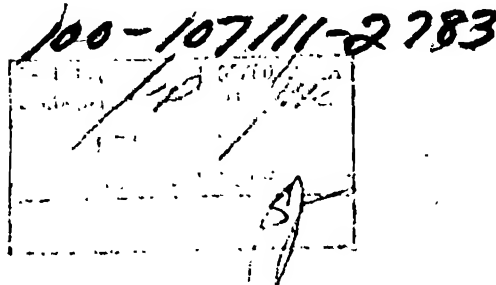
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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
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(OO: NEW YORK)

On 1/22/58, a trash cover maintained on the residence of SYLVIA BERNSTEIN, 9340 Harvey Road, Silver Spring, Maryland, made available to SA PAUL E. MORRISON the following described items which are being supplied as enclosures to the Los Angeles Office:

1. Envelope postmarked 'Los Angeles, California, January 14, 1958, directed to SYLVIA BERNSTEIN and bearing return address, 462 N. Western Ave., Suite 3, Los Angeles 4, California."

This envelope contained the following material:

2. Envelope for return of funds to 'Los Angeles Sobell Committee, 462 North Western Avenue - Suite 3, Los Angeles 4, California."
3. Mimeographed undated letter with letterhead of Los Angeles Sobell Committee and containing the mimeographed signature of WIDGE NEWMAN. This letter is as follows:

"BECAUSE YOU ARE SO IMPORTANT TO US:

"We were sorry you were unable to attend our Work Meeting. We want to have you closely informed of our plans. We are most concerned to know of your support, since you are 'key' to us -- either as an individual, or representative of your organization.

3-Los Angeles (Encls. 4) (RM)

①-New York (100-10711) (Info) (RM)

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Justice in the Rosenberg-Sobell case is intimately tied to the growing concern of Americans for freedom from fear, and for truth. Our National Conference decided that our primary effort is best directed to the American people on the facts in the Sobell case by asking them to appeal to our President for action.

"NATIONAL"

Nationally, January - April, we will focus on a goal of securing the signatures of 100,000 Americans on our Presidential Appeal. Side by side with this activity, intense legal investigation is being conducted so as to re-enter the courts as quickly as is feasible. There will be consistent approach to community leaders for the formation of a nationally eminent body that will project an inquiry requesting Justice. HORTON SOBELL's transfer from Alcatraz will be made an issue for activity on the part of penal authorities such as writers, psychologists, sociologists, and prison groups in interested organizations.

"REGIONAL"

To support the National program, Western committees and contacts have accepted a pledge of 30,000 signatures and \$30,000 by April. Regional coordinating responsibilities will be shared by San Francisco and Los Angeles for the Western States; Chicago for the Midwest; New York for the East.

During the month of April, major cities will hold significant events to bring to public attention the work done during this period, and to send delegates to the White House to formally present our petition to the President. In Los Angeles, we are planning a dinner aimed at including 1,000 supporters, on Saturday, April 12.

"LOCAL"

Locally, as you read this, we have begun our work. We are in the process of sending out to our files initial information and requests for support on our program. (You will receive our individual petitions too.)

"You are most important to us. Will you examine our Work Sheet carefully, think and discuss, and let us know as soon as you can how and when we can expect your participation.

"It will take all of us -- together -- to realize the potential of this period for Sobell's freedom -- and for our own.

"Sincerely,

"/s/ WIDGE NEWMAN

"WIDGE NEWMAN

"For the Committee"

4. "Work Sheet -- January 10- April 12, 1958,"
as follows:

"1) WILL YOU BE ONE OF OUR 'KEYS'? (100 Signatures - \$100)

"Individual -If you can pledge 100 signatures and \$100 by April 12, sign up tonight and let us know,

"Organization -If you represent an organization or group - will you take a 'key' group pledge?.....Will you take the matter up with your group - asking them to take a quota of 100 signatures and \$100?.....Will you arrange time on your group agenda for us to present our program?

"2) PETITIONS FOR EXECUTIVE ACTION

"Circulating - (Space for 10 signatures) We must
Petition begin distribution of these as quickly as possible. How many can you take to fill? How many friends will you contact who can help circulate one?

**Individual
Petition**

(Space for two signatures) This is mainly a mailing piece.....A copy must go out to each one in our files as quickly as possible. We ask that you help us send them out by your contribution and pledge (4000 mailing - \$300).

"Will you ask your group and/or organization to include a copy in their mailings?

"Will you take copies to send to friends - and add a personal note expressing your interest and concern?

"V.I.P. Petitions - (Allows space for one signature along with National listing of those who have already signed).

"Do you have community leaders in mind whom you can, or we can, approach to join in the appeal? Give us your suggestions.

"3) HELEN SOBELL'S TV INTERVIEW

"(We supply equipment and projectionist as well as invitations - upon request).

"Will you arrange a house or group showing of HELEN SOBELL's TV interview for your friends and neighbors?

"4) AREA WORK

-Will you join the Sobell Committee in your area?

"If you live in the Valley, Santa Monica, Pasadena, the East Side, Ontario - will you help us form a group there? We have many active people in all the communities - but now we urgently need group effort for a successful program.

"OFFICE HELP - WE ARE IN GREAT NEED OF OFFICE WORKERS FOR MAILINGS AND PHONING.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)

DATE: 1/31/58

FROM : SA WILLIAM G. LINEHAN #19-2

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL
IS-C

On 1/21/58, [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished SA WILLIAM G. LINEHAN with the following items: 070

1. Letter on the letterhead of the Committee to Secure Justice For Morton Sobell, dated 1/10/58, requesting the recipient to order material for the campaign for Action by one million Americans to win freedom for MORTON SOBELL. This letter contained at the bottom, a perforated section which could be filled out and the materials ordered thereon.

This letter is maintained as an exhibit in NY 100-107111-1B859.

2. A printed petition in behalf of MORTON SOBELL addressed to "Mr. President, White House, Washington, D.C.", which urged that MORTON SOBELL be granted Executive Pardon or commutation or instructions to the Attorney General to recommend a new trial.

This petition is maintained as an exhibit in NY 100-107111-1B860.

3. A printed appeal to the President urging that he exercise his executive authority either by asking the Attorney General to consent to a new trial for MORTON SOBELL or by the granting of an Executive Pardon or commutation. This appeal contains the printed names of individuals having signed this appeal.

[REDACTED] 070
1 - NY 100-107111

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This appeal is maintained as an exhibit in
NY 100-107111-1B861.

4. The February, 1958 issue of "that justice shall be done", which is a newspaper to Secure Justice in the case of MORTON SOBELL and is published by the National Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL. It is to be noted that on page 4 of this newspaper, there are listed the names and addresses of 8 SOBELL committees in various sections of the country.

This newspaper is maintained as an exhibit in
NY 100-107111-1B862.

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2789	2/3/58	SA MEMO TO SAC	4	0		1
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2791	2/3/58	SA MEMO TO SAC SL	1	0		
2792	2/3/58	SA MEMO TO SAC LA	2	0		
2793	2/4/58	SA MEMO TO SAC SL	2	0		
2794	2/4/58	SAC SL AIRTEL TO HQ RE: THIRD PARTY	2	0		
2795	2/4/58	SA MEMO TO SAC NY	3	3		
2796	2/5/58	SAC WFA AIRTEL TO HQ RE: THIRD PARTY	2	2		
2797	2/5/58	SAC NY LETTER TO SAC PH	6	6		
2798	2/7/58	SAC SF AIRTEL TO HQ	2	0		
2799	2/7/58	SA MEMO TO SAC LA	4	4		

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2802	2/11/58	SAC BA MEMO TO HQ RE THIRD LETTER	1	1		
2803	2/12/58	SAC SL AIRTEL TO HQ RE THIRD LETTER	1	1		
2804	2/12/58	SA MEMO TO SAC NY	6	0		
2805	2/12/58	SE REPORT TO HQ	3	3		
2806	2/12/58	SE MEMO RE: ABOVE RPT.	1	1		
2807	2/12/58	SAC SE MEMO TO HQ	3	3		
2808	2/12/58	SAC MI MEMO TO SAC NY	1	1		
2808	2/12/58	ORIGINAL OF ABOVE	1	1		DUP 1
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2813	2/14/51	SA MEMO TO SAC LA	2	0		
2814	2/14/51	SA MEMO TO SAC LA	2	0		
2815	2/17/51	DN LETTER TO SAC NY RE: [illegible]	1	1		
2816	2/11/51	SAC NY LETTER TO SAC NY	4	3		
2817	2/19/51	SAC SL TO HQ	1	0		
2818	2/20/51	SA MEMO TO SAC NY	2	2		
2819	2/21/51	SAC SL LETTER TO HQ	1	1		
2819	2/21/51	COPY OF ABOVE	1	1		DUP 1
2820	2/24/51	SAC SL AIRTEL TO HQ	1	1		
2821	2/24/51	SAC NY LETTER TO SAC SF	6	0		

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2823	2/25/52	SAC BS AIRTEL TO HQ	1	1		
2824	2/25/52	SA MEMO TO SAC NY RE: [illegible]	1	0		
2825	2/26/52	SA MEMO TO SAC (FILE)	5	0		
2826	2/26/52	SA MEMO TO SAC (SF)	7	0		
2827	2/26/52	SAC NY LETTER TO HQ	2	-		NY FILE 65-15348
2828	2/27/52	SA MEMO TO SAC NY	4	-		NY FILE 100-37158
2829	2/27/52	SA MEMO TO SAC LA	3	0		
2830	2/28/52	SA MEMO TO SAC NY	1	-		NY FILE 100-109849
2831	2/28/52	SAC NY MEMO TO SAC CG	4	4		
2832	2/28/52	SAC NY LETTER TO SAC NK	1	1		
2833	2/28/52	SAC LA TELETYPE TO HQ	1	0		

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2836	3/11/52	AC AL AIRTEL TO HQ	2	-		NY FILE 100-109849
2837	3/11/52	SA MEMO TO SAC NY	2	2		
2838	3/11/52	SA MEMO TO AC AL	1	0		
2839	3/5/52	SA MEMO TO SA NY	1	0		
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2841	3/11/52	SAC CV LETTER TO AL	1	0		
2842	3/5/52	SA MEMO TO SA NY	2	-		NY FILE 100-109849
2843	3/5/52	NY AIRTEL TO HQ	2	4	2	F1268 10-10-78 HQ FILE 101-2483
2844	3/7/52	SAC B LETTER TO AL	26	0		
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-133479) DATE: 2/4/58
FROM : SA ARTHUR J. GREENE, JR., #7-3
SUBJECT: YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE
IS-YSA

Source [REDACTED] b7D
Reliability [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable
information in the past
Information
Furnished [REDACTED] YSA meeting held [REDACTED] b7D
Date Received [REDACTED]
Received by [REDACTED] ARTHUR J. GREENE, JR.
Location [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] The following is a verbatim report received from
as set forth above. b7D

- 1 - NY 100-107111 (CR. 100-107111)
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Report Written [REDACTED] b7D

Meeting of the YSA [REDACTED] b7D

360 West 27th Street

The meeting was held at the home of Dick DeHaan.
Among those present were:

[REDACTED] b7D

Tim Wholforth gave a report on the national picture and said that a new edition of the Discussion Bulletin would be forthcoming. He said that the Madison and University of Chicago groups were planning a conference and were expanding it to include as many of the midwestern clubs as possible such as the twin cities, Denver and Antioch college clubs. Tim proposed that the YSA and the Philadelphia groups also go in an attempt to make the conference as national as possible. After much debate and discussion on the means and the possibilities it was decided to favorably. Jack Greenberg who was presiding offered his own car and said he planned to attend. Gil suggested that Marty go along to provide the entertainment. It was pointed out by Tim that the conference would be on a week-end and that it was necessary to take Friday off from work.

Gil and Tim stressed that it was important to have a meeting of those who planned to attend with the YSA to discuss what views were to be given to the conference as representing the YSA. This led to much debate as views in the YSA differed somewhat as to when a national youth group should be. In the end it was voted to send our expressions of desire to take part in the conference

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Marty gave a report on the fund drive for the Young Socialist. He said that the party the previous Saturday had brought in a profit of forty dollars but that there was still more than half the drive quota to be met. He said that he was extending the fund drive period another month til the end of January. He appealed for pledges from everyone.

Mike Kovacs gave a report on the sub drive for the paper and said it was lagging far behind and that more time and effort was needed. He asked everyone to be sure of his subscription and to make the calls on mailing lists as they had been assigned.

Paul Greenberg gave a report on the Sobel and ECLC abolition drives. He said the ECLC drive was meeting with slow but steady success and urged the YSA group to proceed with its support to make the abolition drive a success. He told of difficulties with the Sobel group which some of the members of the YSA legislative committee had had difficulty with. A certain Judy from the Sobel committee had been rather uncooperative. Paul promised to take the matter up with the Sobel committee and report back to the USA.

Gil gave the executive committee report which announced plans for the forum to start December 23 on China. It also announced the start of the movie series for the fund drive to start on Friday, Dec. 20. The films are to be every other Friday.

It was announced that Steve Max who was present that night was accepted as a member. He is the son of Alan Max of the Daily Worker.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

2/5/58

FROM SAC, WFO (100-25274)

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**NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka
IS - 61, LRA of 1950
(OO: NY)**

On 2/4/58 a trash cover maintained on the residence of SYLVIA BERNSTEIN, 9340 Harvey Road, Silver Spring, Md., made available to SA PAUL E. MARRISON a large envelope postmarked Los Angeles, Calif., 1/22/58, and bearing return address "L.A. Sobell Committee, 462 No. Western Ave., Suite 3, Los Angeles 4, Calif." The large envelope had attached a smaller window type envelope, addressed to SYLVIA BERNSTEIN and containing the following undated form letter, addressed to "Dear Friend," and from "WIDGE NEWMAN, For the Committee" (unsigned):

"Wanted to show you a layout of a 'western' ad that will appear in the 'Guardian' on February 17 . . . taken out by Sobell supporters and committees in the western states.

"We are hopeful for a big response."

The above referred to layout was contained in the large envelope. The ad states in part, as follows:

"We of the Western States accept a pledge of 30,000 signatures in support of the National Campaign for Presidential Action to Free MORTON SOBELL.

"We ask you to join with us to help reach the National goal of 1,000,000 signatures by April."

- 3 - Bureau (Encls. 5) *see 10896*
2 - Los Angeles (100-41648) (Encls. 2)
① - New York (100-170111) (Encl. 1)
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Five photostats of the above ad are being supplied the Bureau. New York, Phoenix and San Francisco are being supplied one photostat each of this ad while Los Angeles is being supplied two photostats.

It is noted that [REDACTED] (continues to protect identity), on 2/26/53 identified SYLVIA BERNSTEIN as a current CP member. [REDACTED] has furnished reliable information in the past. b7D

The original of the information received on 2/4/53 is being maintained NY 100-25474-1B3(46).

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC PHILADELPHIA

FROM : SAC NEW YORK (100-133479)

SUBJECT: YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE
IS-SOCIALIST

DATE: 2/5/58

Identity of Source

[REDACTED] who has
furnished reliable
info in past
(Confidential) b7D

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1-Denver () (Young Socialist Clubs) (RM)

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Description of info

██████████, YSA Business b7D
Meeting

Date Received

[REDACTED] b7D

Received by

SA EDWARD M. ANCIN
(written)

Original Located

[REDACTED] b7D

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

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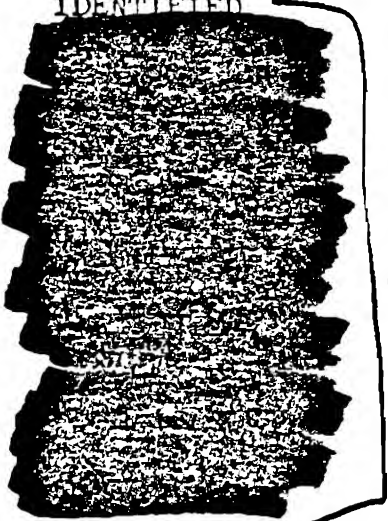
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EVENT: Business Meeting of the "YSA"

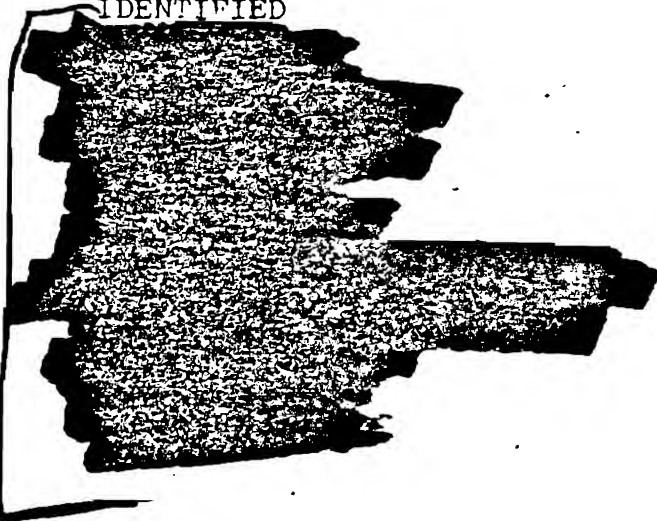
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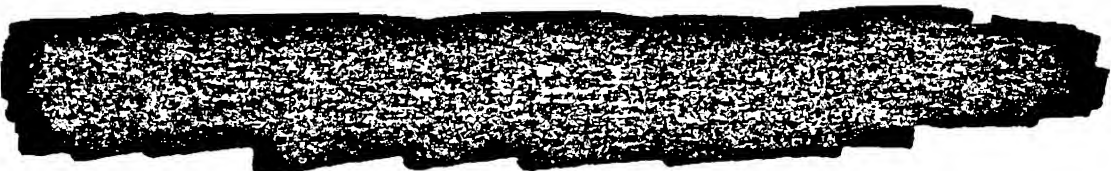
Paul Greenberg was the chairman for the evening. The meeting was mainly to have been a critical analysis of Tim Wohlforth's speech to the American Forum, but this was deferred to the next business meeting do to a mix-up. The tape recordings made of Tim's speech were not received in time.

The next order of business was the resignation of Nora Roberts as Secretary. Nora said the job was too much of a strain on herself. Nominations were opened and Sherry Geldman and Judy Mage were nominated. Whitey Knutsen volunteered for the post. Judy Mage declined the job. Nominations were held open until the next business meeting.

Martha Wells resigned her post as mailing director due to the fact that she now has a full time job. Nominations

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were opened and Bill Jaber was nominated. Whitey Knutsen volunteered for the job. Nominations were held open to the next business meeting.

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Shane Mage made a plea for funds for a French Socialist Paper "L'Versite (Ph)". He said the paper was being hounded by the French Government. Paul Greenberg asked Shane what the politics of the paper was and Shane said it was something like the American SWP. Paul contributed \$5.00 on the condition it be used for civil rights only.

Also making contributions was Bill Jaber and Mike Kovacs.

A big get together of all young Socialist groups is being planned. The meeting to take place in Chicago February 1st and 2nd. The YSA will send as many delegates as they have room for in available automobiles. Marty Wilner was asked to work up the entertainment for the group and also to volunteer his car.

Whitey was next on the agenda with some news on the mailing list. He claims to have found to members of the "Red Squad" on it. When asked if he was sure about this, Whitey replied about 85% sure. The consensus of opinion on Whitey's verbal bomb-shell was that the organization had nothing to hide and it might do more damage if they were to check over the mailing list. Paul Greenberg asked for a general tightening of the YSA's security. Berb Wainer said that

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this might be more trouble than it was worth. He said that he (Bert) figured that they (Red Squad, Government) probably know whats going on at even closed business meetings and nobody need worry about this. However the mailing list ought be modernized and people who didn't want to be on the YSA mailing list should be dropped. Dick DeHaan reported on his meeting with the Sobell Committee. He said that he and Mike Kovacs met with three members of the Sobell Committee (The only ones who showed up) and that they threatened the YSA, through the person of Judy Switzky (ph), and said that unless the YSA supported their New Years Eve party. The Sobell Committee wanted nothing further to do with them until after the first of the year. This caused Paul Greenberg to get all excited and he said that the YSA should write a nasty letter to the Sobell Committee. Tim Wohlforth said that no fuss should be made of this as it wasn't that important and the threat should be completely ignored. This was agreed upon.

Tim Wohlforth spoke on the National picture of the "Young Socialist". He said the picture looks real good. Philadelphia is doing a fine job. In Denver, one man there has set up two different organizations.

Dick DeHaan reported on his meeting with A.J. Mustie. Mustie, said DeHaan, wants to build up a strong right wing on the American Forum before letting in any more left wingers. However Mustie looks with great favor on the YSA.

Earl Gillman reported on the Film for Friday night. He said that a mailing had to be gotten out that evening and asked for volunteers. Whitcy and Danny Freeman volunteered.


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He also asked for volunteers to go down to Greenwich Village and hang up leaflets. Judy Mage volunteered for this.

Marty Wilner gave a report on the social. He said that there was \$34.00 cleared on it and also two bottles of liquor left over. Bert and Renee said it was the best social the YSA had given and the money was fairly well accounted for, which is quite unusual for a Socialist party.

Anne Zuckoff gave a treasurers report. The treasury contains \$38.00 and owes out \$37.00. Tim Wohlforth made a plea for more funds for the "YS". He said New York is the most important place in the country and must set an example for other groups. Every one must give blood the next time.

The final item on the agenda was the panel forum on China. This whole thing turned out to be a major foul-up. Tim Wohlforth thought Gil Strunk was handling the panel and Gil thought Tim was handling it. Neither did anything regarding publicity or a place to hold it. It was also brought up that the China discussion would compete with Pete Seegar's folk singing concert and attendance would be nil. After much arguing it was decided to move the panel up to Saturday, December 28, and hope for the best. Ann Zuckoff was given the job of finding a hall.



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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41648)

DATE: 2/7/58

FROM : SA EMERY D. TURNER

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES SOBELL COMMITTEE (LASC)
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St. Los Angeles,

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[REDACTED] stated there were about 32 persons present only a few of whom she recognized as follows:

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Read by: [Signature]

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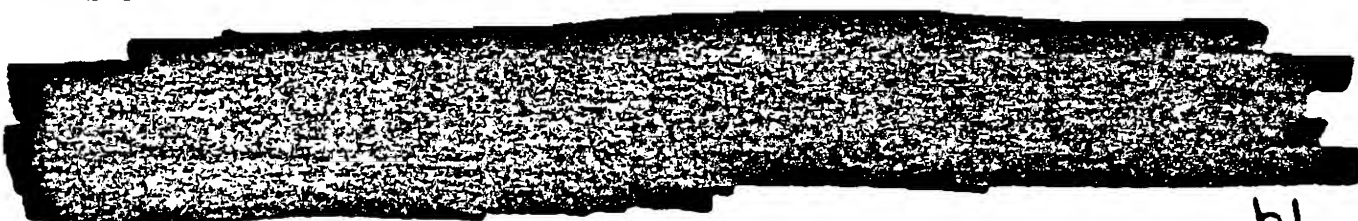
NEWMAN then furnished a list of 18 subjects or topics for the local Long Beach Chapter LASC to study and from which to select one topic for Dr. RUBINSTEIN's speech in latter January, 1958. These topics included the following:

1. Shakespeare and the Elizabethan Age.
2. Man Triumphant in Shakespeare-- and Woman Too.
3. Shakespeare's Political Themes.
4. Shakespeare and Sputnik.
5. Poetry and Politics from John Milton to Pablo Neruda.
6. Poetry and Politics in a Lighter Vein.
7. Byron, Shelley and Keats vs. Eisenhower.

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8. The novel and the Bourgeois Revolution.
9. The Great Victorians: Charles Dickens, George Eliot and Thomas Huxley.
10. Chicago and the Midwest in American Literature.
11. The Radical Novel in the United States.
12. World War I and II in American Literature.
13. The Negro in American Literature.
14. Our Nobel Prize Winners: Sinclair Lewis, Ernest Hemingway and William Faulkner.
15. The Art of Bertolt Brecht.
16. Sean O'Casey, Our Greatest Living Dramatist.
17. Jewish Poetry and Humor in Henrich Heine (1797-1856)
18. Shakespeare and Human Equality: -Shylock and Othello.

ACTION:

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Copies of the LASC thumbnail are being enclosed for New York and Phoenix Offices for their information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

APPENDIX

LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL,
aka, Los Angeles Sobell Committee, Los Angeles Committee
to secure Justice in the Rosenberg case, Los Angeles
Rosenberg-Sobell Committee

An informant advised on 12/17/57 that the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL was formerly known as the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case and was also referred to as the Los Angeles ROSENBERG-SOBELL Committee.

The Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case was cited by the Committee on Un-American Activities report dated 8/25/56 pages 66 and 67 as "A local auxiliary of the National Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case. 'Next to New York and Washington, the area of greatest focus in the ROSENBERG campaign was Los Angeles *** The Los Angeles campaign was under the direction of SOPHIE DAVIDSON, chairman of the Los Angeles Committee ***.'"

Another informant on July 27, 1958 advised that SOPHIE DAVIDSON was then a Communist Party member.

Informant advised on December 11, 1957, that the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL adopted that name in the fall of 1954. The avowed purpose of this committee is to have MORTON SOBELL transferred from Alcatraz and to secure a new trial and eventually his complete release. Both the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case and the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL were from their inception dominated and controlled by the Communist Party through the assignment of Communist Party members to direct the activities of the committees.

Another informant advised on December 19, 1957, that the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL is currently active.

APPENDIX

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41648)

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
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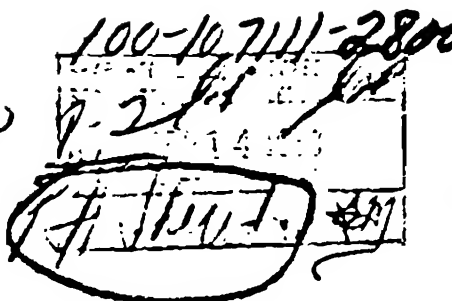
Re: New York letter to Director dated 1/27/58.

New York requests all offices receiving copies
of above referenced New York letter to review the transcript
of captioned
organization of captioned
in New York for the purpose of effecting identification
of a [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] WEDGE HENMAN
organizer of the Los Angeles Sobell Committee. r b7D

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1-Los Angeles

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-347335)

1/14/54

SAC, BALTIMORE (100-15241)

COMMITTEE TO S. CORE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL
IS - C

Re New York letter to Director, dated January 27, 1954.

The SARAH mentioned [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SARAH LICHTENBERG HAMMOND

It is requested

[REDACTED] exhibit enclosed photograph of Mrs. HAMMOND to
verify that she is the SARAH [REDACTED]

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AIRMAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, ST. LOUIS (100-17136)

LABOR FORUM
IS - SWP

CINAL

[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on 2/11/58 that the Labor Forum held a meeting 2/10/58, SLMO. Program featured a film strip with a narration on the Morton Sobell Case. Film was biographical sketch of SOBELL including his deportation from Mexico and trial. It claimed the chief prosecution witness was an admitted perjurer. Fifteen present. b7D

Labor Forum organized by SWP and CP representatives, September, 1957, to unite left-wing Socialists in mutual fields of agreement.

HOWARD

3 - BUREAU (REGISTERED MAIL)
2 - ST. LOUIS (1 - 100-158.2)

WAH:gmf

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1 - NEW YORK (Sobell Comm.)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE SEATTLE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE 1/14/58	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 1/13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27/58
TITLE OF CASE COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL		REPORT MADE BY ROBERT E. MASON	TYPE OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C

SYNOPSIS:

Local Sobell Committee [REDACTED] JELLY CANAFAX, Seattle
Chairman. SWP at Seattle continues efforts to penetrate subject organization. b7D

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DETAILS:

[REDACTED] Socialist Workers Party, Seattle, Wash-
ington, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] the Seattle SWP working closely within
the local chapter of the Morton Sobell Committee so that they
can then keep other SWP branches informed as to current events
within that group. b7D

APPROVED	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW
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SE 100-22197

According to T-1, on 2-3-58 MYRA TANNER WEISS was identified as a national SWP functionary.

The Socialist Workers Party has been designated by the U. S. Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

[REDACTED] informant T-2 provided the information that the SWP [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] to help raise funds in the MORTON SOBELL defense and to increase efforts at activity within that organization. b7D

On July 26, 1957, informant T-2 advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Communist Party in Seattle is forming a strong Sobell local in spite of this factor. b7D

The Communist Party, United States of America, has been designated by the U. S. Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On August 20, 1957, informant T-4 stated that [REDACTED]

On September 17, 1957, informant T-5 provided [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SWP [REDACTED] forum on September 21, 1957, the purpose of which was to "secure justice in the case of MORTON SOBELL." All proceeds from that function allegedly were to be sent to the Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL. b7D

On September 23, 1957, informant T-5 stated that KELLY CANAFAX of 3702 W. Tillman, Seattle. [REDACTED]

SE 100-22197

On March 26, 1957, informant T-7 advised that KELLY CANAFAX [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] informant T-5 furnished a letter under the letterhead of the Socialist Workers Party dated [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] This letter also called for donations [REDACTED] to be directed to: "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, 940 Broadway, New York 10, N.Y." b7D

This letter was signed in stylus in the name of ANN DORSEY, described thereon as Financial Director of the S.W.P.

On December 17, 1957, and January 30, 1958, informant T-8 advised that KELLY CANAFAX [REDACTED] b7D

On January 16, 1958, informant T-6 reported that [REDACTED] local Sobell [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] According to the informant, [REDACTED] to arouse interest in this area regarding MORTON SOBELL through the presentation of literature and public functions. [REDACTED] b7D

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 100-22197

Seattle, Washington
MAY 2 1953

RE: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

All informants referred to in the report of Special Agent ROBERT E. MASON at Seattle, Washington, dated FEB 11 1953 have provided reliable information in the past.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - U. S. GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI (100-387835)(REG) DATE: FEB 1 1958

FROM: SAC, Seattle (100-22197)

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR
MORTON SOBELL
IS - C

OO: NEW YORK

Reference report of SA ROBERT E. MASON at Seattle dated August 8, 1957.

FEB 1 1958 Enclosed is the report of SA ROBERT E. MASON dated at Seattle with letterhead memorandum for dissemination. Report and letterhead memo furnished to DIO, OSI, and R-III.

This report has been classified "~~CONFIDENTIAL~~" under Executive Order 10501 since it discloses attempts of the Communist Party and the Socialist Workers Party to control subject organization, which information is considered as national defense information within scope of the Executive Order.

The data provided by protected sources is documented as follows:

<u>Identity</u>	<u>Date of Activity</u>	<u>Filed</u>
T-1 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED] b7D	[REDACTED] b7D
T-2 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED] b7D	[REDACTED] b7D

Characterization of MYRA TANNER WEISS

2 - Bureau (Encls.12)(100-387835)(REG.)
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1 - San Francisco (Encls.2)(REG.)
2 - Seattle (100-22197)
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SE 100-22197

Identity

Date of Activity

File

T-3 is [REDACTED]

T-4 is [REDACTED]

T-5 [REDACTED]

T-6 [REDACTED]

T-7 is [REDACTED]

T-8 is Former [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(SE 100-22197-50)

Consideration has been provided to each source concealed. Only where identities must be so protected were T-symbols used.

Informants were contacted for any additional pertinent information concerning subject organization as listed:

Date

Informant

Agent

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James H. Sandusky

James H. Sandusky

Robert H. Wick

John Francis Sullivan

John Francis Sullivan

Charles E. Robinson

Charles E. Robinson

Edward Brekke

Fred G. Cook

Robert M. MacNamara

Donald H. Head

Edward Brekke

Girard Keil

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J. Morton Arnold

Robert E. Mason

Robert E. Mason

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One copy of this report is directed to San Francisco.
the location of the Sobell Committee office [REDACTED]

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LEADS

SEATTLE DIVISION

At Seattle, Washington

Will continue to follow and report the activities
of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the
Washington State areas.

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TO : SAC, New York (100-107111)

DATE: February 12, 1958

FROM : SAC, Milwaukee (100-11982)

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL
IS - CRe: New York letter to Director 1/27/58 which requested
each office to review the transcript and identify
[REDACTED]

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In this regard it is felt that the "John - Milwaukee" referred
to on page 13 of the transcript is JOHN GILMAN, inasmuch as
GILMAN was reported by a reliable informant to [REDACTED][REDACTED] FOR INFORMATION
of New York, JOHN GILMAN is chairman of the Milwaukee Committee
to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL.

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On August 16, 1957 [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information
in the past, advised that JOHN GILMAN was a member of the CP.

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2 - New York (100-107111) (Registered Mail)

1 - Milwaukee (100-11982)

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SAC, New York (100-107111)

February 12, 1957

SAC, Milwaukee (100-11982)

**COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL
IS - C**

Re: New York letter to Director 1/27/57 which requested
each office to review the transcript and [redacted]

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In this regard it is felt that the "John - Milwaukee" referred
to on page 13 of the transcript is JOHN GILMAN, inasmuch as
GILMAN was reported by a reliable informant to [redacted]
[redacted] for information
of New York, JOHN GILMAN is chairman of the Milwaukee Committee
to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL. b7D

On August 16, 1957 [redacted] who has furnished reliable information
in the past, advised that JOHN GILMAN was a member of the CP.

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- 2 - New York (100-107111) (Registered Mail)
- 1 - Milwaukee (100-11982)

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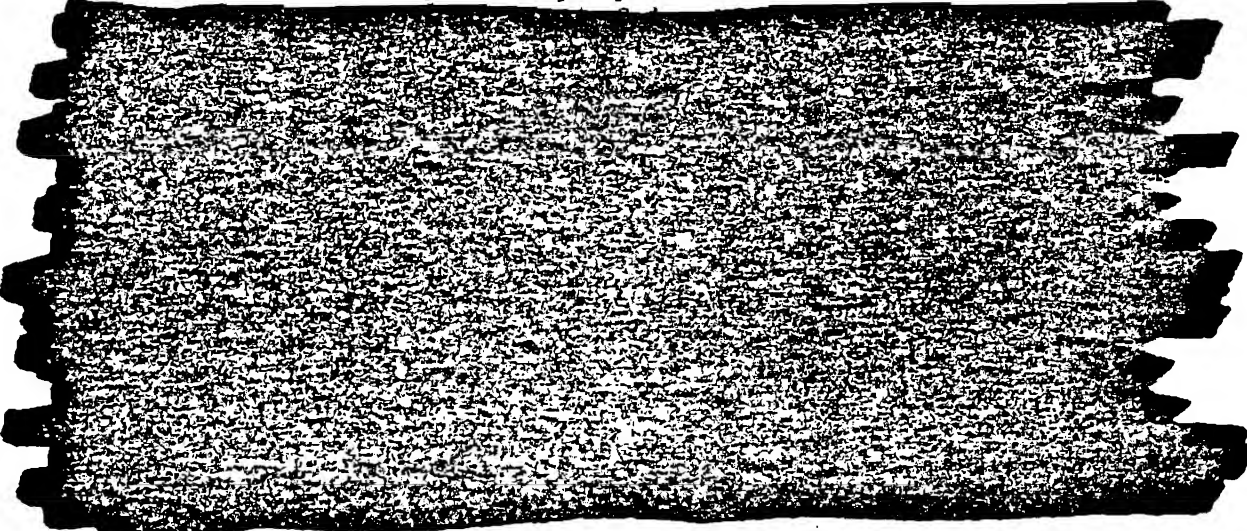
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A copy of informant's report follows:

1-17-58

Report of a welcoming home party for Helen Sobell and a New York Committee meeting of the Sobell Committee at the apartment of Ted Jacobs, 101 West 85th Street, N.Y. The apartment is listed under the name of Wolf. About thirty five people were in attendance.



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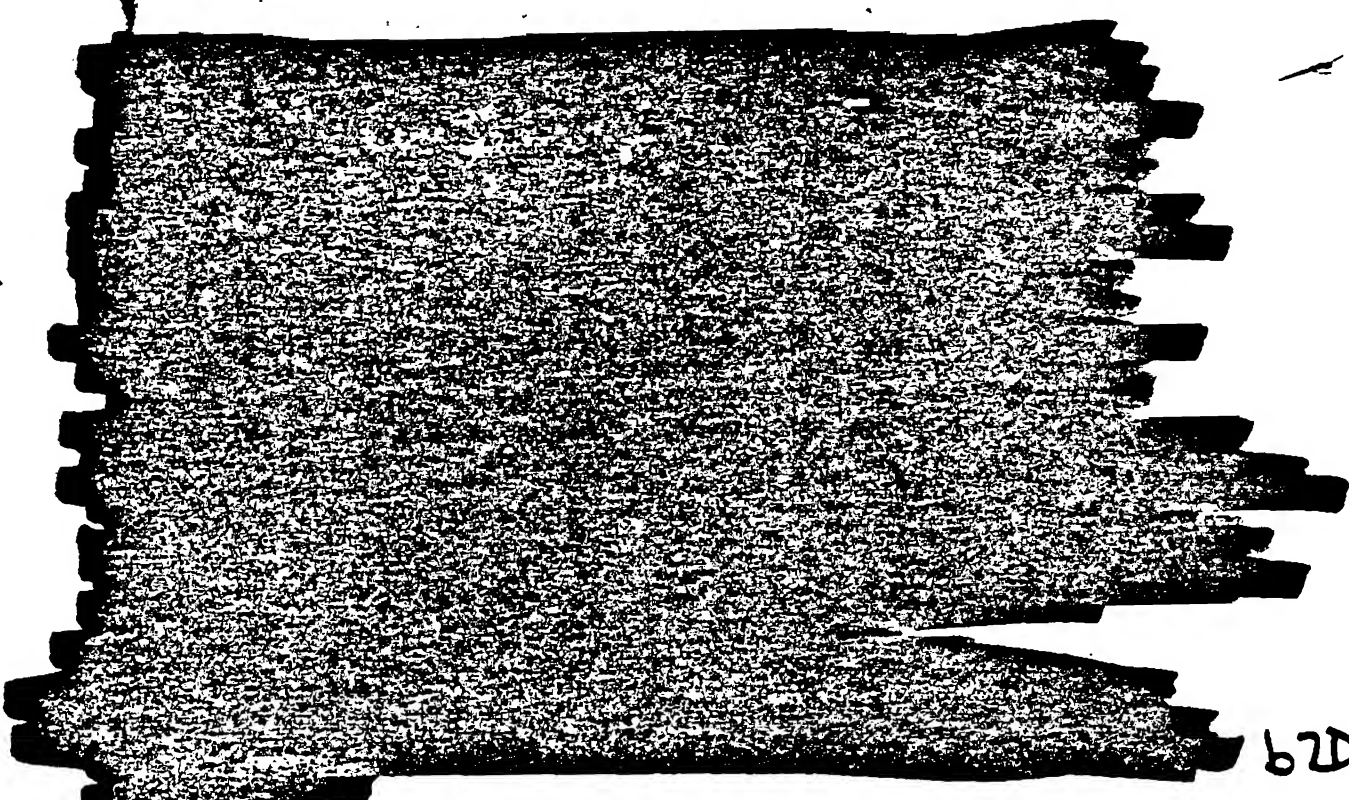
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The meeting began at about 10:15 PM. Emily asked for attention and then began to talk about the latest plans for the Sobell Committee. She stated that the present plans are the result of the National Committee meeting and the sub meetings that took place after it. The mass campaign will officially begin in late April. In the mean time the Sobell Committee hopes to have many thousands to begin with, so that at the official opening of the campaign a letter can be sent to the President stating the intention of getting one million signatures to show popular approval for the release of Sobell. There will be a series of dinners commencing in Los Angeles that will continue until the final dinner will be held in N.Y. in late April or Early May. The purpose of these dinners is to highlight the successes of the campaign as the early signatures are forwarded to N.Y.

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The N.Y. dinner will be planned for 1000 people at \$10.00 a plate. The Hotel has not been chosen as yet. Emily mentioned that Sputnik has greatly changed the case. People are now beginning to realize that Sobell might not have been guilty and that an injustice was perpetrated. The recent statements by Greenglass & Gold in that they think Rosenberg gave the sputnik secrets to Russia is making people realize these men are pathological liars. All of these trends can be utilized to get people thinking about the case. Emily mentioned that she had worked with the case for years and today finds the confidence of the Committee at a high point. Emily stated that efforts will be made to have Sobell removed from Alcatraz by advocating the discontinuance of that prison. She stated Congress was written on this subject. The N.Y. office has thus far printed 25,000 newspapers for distribution. N.Y. has supplied the other parts of the country with copies but will not have the money to do so in the future. Orders are in with the printers for thousands more copies. The money that Ben and Jennie gathered in the Bronx went to pay for the newspaper.

Ted Jacobs then spoke for a few minutes about the favorable press which the Committee was receiving. He writes to all the main newspapers and sends them press releases concerning the case. Thus far a few mid-western papers around St. Paul and Minneapolis are supporting the case. As an example of the friendship & respect which Ted Jacobs has the public relations director of the Justice Department, a former N.Y. Times man, answered very cordially Ted's letter to him congratulating him on his new job & giving a few more details on the case.

A newspaper in New Orleans which formerly was against the case came out for it recently. This in turn prompted an Unitarian Church to ask to have the movie showing and to order 100 pieces of literature. The night beat film showing Helen Sobell on T.V. is being distributed throughout the country and is supposedly winning new friends to the case.

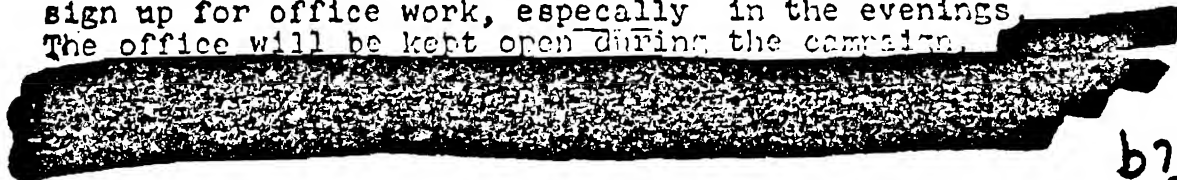
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Helen Sobell then spoke about the trip to San Francisco and a visit to her husband. She was accompanied by the two children. They flew both ways. She then read a letter from Morton Sobell which described his longing to know what life outside of a cell is like. She spoke a few more minutes about the new appeal and thanked all for assisting.

In the question and answer period that followed Aaron Katz was the first one to speak. He criticized Emily and Ted for trying to give the impression that the Sobell Committee had a favorable press behind them. Muriel then had about nine "suggestions" to offer which she thought if followed would release Sobell from prison. Emily openly congratulated Ben and Jennie for fine work. She hoped they would get at least 15,000 signatures. Ben has about 40 people in his group in the Bronx. Ben jokingly remarked that he wants to keep the money he collects next time so he can purchase literature on the case. Len said the old A.L.P. (American Labor Party) people were a big help.

Myra Weiss then spoke. She said the Socialist Workers Party's newspaper will carry an article on the Sobell Case every week until the campaign is over. Weiss said she is a staff writer for the paper. She made notice of the Young Socialist Alliance, which she called the fastest growing youth group in the U.S. and said this group will support the Sobell Committee when they meet in Chicago a few weeks from now.

Emily made notice that Sylvia would be on the Committee and would assist anyone who needs help setting up a committee. Leah Schneider was getting people to sign up for office work, especially in the evenings. The office will be kept open during the campaign.



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SAC, NEW YORK (100-128869)

2/13/58

SA JOHN W. SUNDQUIST #12-10.

ROSE SOBELL
SM-C

The following investigation was conducted by the writer to determine the subject's current residence:

A review of the above captioned file reflected that the subject and her husband, LOUIS SOBELL, resided at 656 St. Ann's Ave., Bronx, N.Y., from 1931-1940; during 1952, were known to reside at 600 Trinity Ave., Bronx, N.Y., telephone CY 2-3535.

The file further reflected that Mrs. ROSE SOBELL, 2400 Davidson Avenue, Bronx, N.Y., (S/S dated 1/11/55 p.5) was a member of the Committee to secure Justice in the Rosenberg and Sobell cases.

The 1957-58 Bronx Directory of the New York Telephone Company, lists a ROSE SOBELL, 2400 Davidson Ave., telephone number SE 3-8002.

On 2/13/58, the writer made a call to ROSE SOBELL at SE 3-8002. A woman who identified herself as Mrs. ROSE SOBELL, advised that she is the mother of [REDACTED] and that he is the victim of a political injustice. [REDACTED]

CC:

1-100-128869 (ROSE SOBELL)

① 1-100-107111 (COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR EUGENE SOBELL)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: 2/11/52

FROM : SAC, DENVER (100-1934)

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR
MORTON SOBELL
IS - CCOMINFIL, IUMMSW
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Enclosed herewith are photostats of a self-explanatory letter from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] together with a receipt, b2D
the matter having been referred to us by the Post Office Inspectors, Denver.

As a matter of info, the MMDF referred to in the receipt is the Mine-Mill Defense Fund which has paid a substantial portion for the legal defense of CLINTON E. JENCKS and MAURICE F. TRAVIS, former International Union of Mine Mill and Smelter Workers (IUMMSW) officials who are or have been prosecuted for falsely filing non-Communist affidavits.

It is possible, as [REDACTED] suggests, that contributions are being made in his name for reasons known only to the actual contributor. b2D

2 - New York (Encls. 3) (RM)

1 - Denver

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-4013)

FROM: SAC, NEWARK (100-1934)

RE: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY
IS - SWP
(OO: New York)

DATE: 2/18/57

██████████ who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity must be protected, was contacted on ██████████ by SA DONALD W. AARON at which time he furnished a written report concerning ██████████

The following persons were present:

5 - New York (REGISTERED MAIL)
1 - 100-8973
1 - 100-133479 (YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE)
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - 100- [REDACTED] (S... CO. TTEE) ✓
1 - [REDACTED]
15- Newark
1 - 100-1334
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
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1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - 100-133412 (YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE)
1 - [REDACTED]

NK 100-1984

[REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] b7D

The informant furnished a leaflet which is located in 100-1984-1A-280, which is quoted as follows:

"TOWARDS A UNITED SOCIALIST YOUTH MOVEMENT

"WHAT CAN YOUNG PEOPLE DO ABOUT:

CIVIL LIBERTIES
UNEMPLOYMENT
INFLATION
ACADEMIC FREEDOM

"SPEAKER: TIM WOHLFORTH

TIM WOHLFORTH IS MANAGING EDITOR OF
THE YOUNG SOCIALIST

AT OBERLIN COLLEGE HE WAS CHAIRMAN OF
THE EUGENE V DEBS CLUB

FORMER MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE
OF THE YOUNG SOCIALIST LEAGUE

"SATURDAY FEBRUARY 8 8 P.M.
"AT MASONIC AUDITORIUM -- 183 BELMONT AVE., NEWARK,

"ADMISSION FREE

"LABOR DONATED"

NK 100-1984

The informant stated that SOL GRAUER is unemployed. The informant stated that SOL GRAUER stated that his wife GLADYS is working evenings.

The informant stated that RICHARD WINOWSKI is working for ORBIS CHEMICALS on Virginia Avenue, Newark.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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The informant advised that PHYLLIS MILLER is presently unemployed.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-67261)

2/20/58

SA JOHN JOSEPH LAMLER (#12-11)

YETTA HOGAN
SM-C

On 2/13/58 [REDACTED] (T-symbol),
who was in a position to furnish reliable information,
furnished the following identified items which he
had received [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] These items are being
maintained in the exhibit section of the subject's
case file:

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- 1 - NY (100-133591) (FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES) (#2-2)
- 1 - NY (100-115413) (SOBELL COMMITTEE) (#2-2)
- 1 - NY (100-67261)

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3. A brochure on the book "The Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg" by JOE F. MAXLEY.

4. An excerpt from the "Vancouver Sun", Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, entitled "Our Town" by JACK SCOTT, relating to "The Sobell Case", which article apparently appeared on 6/6/55, in that paper.

5. A copy of the November, 1957 issue of the newspaper, "Morton Sobell prisoner on Our Conscience".

6. A letter dated 1/23/58, on the letterhead of the Sobell Committee signed "EMILY ALLEN" asking for support.

7. A reprint of a letter by ROBERTA THOMAS on the Sobell Case appearing in the 10/20/57 issue of the "New York Post".

8. A reprint of an article on the Sobell Case appearing in "The Oregonian" of 10/16/57.

Also received by [REDACTED] with the aforementioned items was a current schedule of courses being offered by the Faculty of Social Science which schedule was clipped from the now defunct "Daily Worker". This schedule has been retained by [REDACTED] b7D

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

2/21/58

SAC, St. Louis (100-11726)

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL
IS - C

RE: [REDACTED] letter to Bureau dated [REDACTED]

On 2/17/58, the photograph submitted by the [REDACTED]
Office of [REDACTED] was exhibited to [REDACTED]
whereupon this informant [REDACTED] certain
this is the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED] advised that he had very little contact with
this person and for this reason cannot state unequivocally that
[REDACTED] is one and the same person with the
individual named [REDACTED]
Informant further [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and described her as [REDACTED] b7D

Race	White
Sex	Female
Height	Approximately 5'5"
Weight	150 pounds
Build	Stout - heavy
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Age	Appeared to be in middle 30's.

PENDING

2 - Bureau (100-387835) (72-101-10000)

1 - St. Louis (100-11726)

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

2/21/59

SAC, St. Louis (100-11726)

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL
IS - C

RE: [REDACTED] letter to Bureau dated [REDACTED]

On 2/17/58, the photograph submitted by the [REDACTED]
Office of [REDACTED] was exhibited to [REDACTED]
whereupon this informant stated that he is not certain
this is the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED] advised that he had very little contact with
this person. For this reason cannot state unequivocally that
[REDACTED] is one and the same person with the
individual named [REDACTED]
Informant further advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and described her as follows: b7D

Race	White
Sex	Female
Height	Approximately 5'5"
Weight	150 pounds
Build	Stout - buxom
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Age	Appeared to be in middle 30's.

PENDING

2 - Bureau (100-387835) (Presidential Matter)

2 - New York (100-107117)
1 - St. Louis (100-11726)
CSS:slp
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100-107117-2819

2-24-58

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AIRMAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)
FROM : SAC, ST. LOUIS (100-11725)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL, AKA
IS - C

CINAL

[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable
information in the past, advised on 2/24/58 that
HAVEN PERKINS, Midwest Representative of subject
organization, and his wife, CLARE, are moving
to Chicago, Illinois, to live as of Wednesday,
February 26, next.

[REDACTED]

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NO INFO

- 3 - Bureau (REGISTERED MAIL)
 - 1 - Chicago (Sobell Committee) (REGISTERED MAIL)
 - (2) - New York (Sobell Committee)
(URI SUIL) (REGISTERED MAIL)
 - 2 - St. Louis (1 - 100-15872)
- WAH:gmf
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100-107111-2820

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J. [Signature]

FILE # 100-107111

SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBELL COMMITTEE

SERIAL 2821 DATE 2.24.58

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SAC, NEWARK (100-)

2/25/58

SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL
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On 1/27/58, [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished SA WILLIAM C. LINEHAN with a mimeographed letter, dated [REDACTED] on the letterhead of captioned organization, which was signed by EMILY ALMAN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] urged the recipient to assist the Sobell Committee in its effort to obtain SOBELL's freedom. [REDACTED]

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This letter and its enclosure is maintained as an exhibit in NY 100-107111-1B863.

3-Newark (100-) (RM)

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1-New York (100-107111)

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100-107111-2822

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FBI - NEW YORK	

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AIRMAIL REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-307335)

FROM: SAC, BOSTON (100-27290)

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL
IS - C
(OO: NEW YORK)

On 2/25/58 [REDACTED] orally advised SA RICHARD H. BLASSER that Mrs. MORTON SOBELL is scheduled to speak at the Community Church, Boston, Massachusetts, on 2/26/58 at 7:30 P.M. Her topic will be "My Appeal for Justice." Mrs. SOBELL's talk is under the auspices of the Civil Liberties Committee of the Community Church. b7D

According to [REDACTED] a press release was issued by TED JACOBS, under the letterhead of captioned organization, this date. [REDACTED] advised that JACOBS is apparently from New York City. b7D

[REDACTED] b7D

Above is for your information.

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2 - Bureau (100-307335)

② - New York

(1 - 100-107111) (COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL)

2 - Boston (100-27290)

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100-107111-2823

FILE # 100-107111

SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBELL COMMITTEE

SERIAL 2824 DATE 2.25.58

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FILE # 100-107111

SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBELL COMMITTEE

SERIAL 2825 DATE 2-26-58

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SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBELL COMMITTEE

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SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBELL COMMITTEE

SERIAL 2829 DATE 2.27.58

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, CHICAGO

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-133479)

SUBJECT: YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE
IS-YSA

DATE: 2/28/58

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP (S) *Declassification*
DATE *3/4/78 AP/gol*

Source
Reliability

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Who has furnished reliable
information in the past.
YSA Business Meeting held

Information
Furnished
Date Received
Received By
Location

b7D
SA ARTHUR J. GREENE, JR. *413*
ON 3/4/78

The following is a verbatim report received
from *b7D* as set forth above:

- 2 - Chicago (100-*b7D*) ((SOCIALIST YOUTH COMMITTEE OF CHICAGO)
(RM)
- 2 - Detroit (100-) ((WAYNE YOUNG SOCIALIST CLUB OF DETROIT)
(RM)

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- 1 - New York (100-107111) ((COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR
MORTON SOBEL)(7-2) *100-107111-2831*
- 1 - New York (100-) ((COMMITTEE FOR A SANE NUCLEAR POLICY
SERIALIZED *7-2*
- 1 - New York (100-133479)

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NY 100-133479

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"Business Meeting - Young Socialist Alliance
"360 West 27th Street, New York, N.Y.

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"Present at the meeting were:

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"Danny Freeman presided at the meeting.

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"Renee gave an executive committee report on the need for educational training of YSA members. Toward this end, it was recommended that an educational symposium be presented after the conclusion of each meeting with a member of the Y.S.A. giving a talk on some political or cultural point and the whole membership joining in the discussion. This was accepted after some debate.

"The main part of the meeting was given over to a discussion of the Midwest Conference of Socialist Youth. Paul, Renee, Dick and Danny gave very enthusiastic reports on the conference. The main result which was stressed from the conference was the enthusiasm generated for a national socialist youth organization and the establishment of a national discussion bulletin directed toward that end. Each of the clubs, will have a representative or correspondent and will take turns in issuing the bulletin. In this